

HOCKEY

Notes:

- Where a <u>CARA activity guideline</u> exists for the activity and the minimum requirements outlined cannot be met
 the activity must be modified or alternative controls implemented to ensure an equivalent level of safety for staff,
 students and others involved.
- Where a CARA activity guideline does not exist, and when considering any other risks relevant to an activity, the Curriculum activity risk planner is to be used.

Activity Description: Hockey
Six week competition organised into two divisions catering for boys and girls at all ability levels.

Competition is held on a Thursday/Friday — with approximately 360 students participating. Location of competition is Townsville Hockey Grounds at Murray Sporting Complex. Northern Trials 4th May. Training dates 10th May - 14th June Tuesday 4 -5pm.

Teachers/Leaders: Registered Teachers from each school

Class groups: Yrs 5-6 (10-12yrs)

Number of students: Number pending school nominations and Townsville and Thuringowa Rep Teams. Approx 90 students

Start date: 03/03/2022

End date: 14/06/2022

Use this risk assessment matrix as a guide to assess the <u>inherent risk level</u>. Refer to the <u>Curriculum activity risk planner</u> for further details.

Likelihood	Consequence						
Likelinood	1 - Insignificant	2 - Minor	3 - Moderate	4 - Major	5 - Critical		
5 - Almost Certain	Medium	Medium	High	Extreme	Extreme		
4 - Likely	Low	Medium	High	High	Extreme		
3 - Possible	Low	Medium	High	High	High		
2 - Unlikely	Low	Low	Medium	Medium	High		
1 - Rare	Low	Low	Low	Low	Medium		

Indicate the assessed risk level and undertake the actions required for that level of risk.

Inherent risk level			Action required				
	Low	Little chance of incident or injury	Manage risk through regular planning processes.				
\boxtimes	Medium	Some chance of an incident and injury requiring first aid	 Document risks and controls in regular planning documents. Manage risk through regular planning processes OR complete this Curriculum Activity Risk Assessment. 				
	High	Likely chance of a significant incident and injury requiring medical treatment	 A Curriculum Activity Risk Assessment is required to be completed. Principal or head of program (i.e. DP, HOD, HOSES) approval is required prior to conducting this activity. Parent/carer consent is recommended. Once approved, activity details are to be entered into the School curriculum activity register. 				

Inherent risk level			Action required				
	Extreme	High chance of a serious incident resulting in highly debilitating injury	 Consider conducting an alternative activity or modifications to the activity that could achieve comparable learning outcomes. A Curriculum Activity Risk Assessment must be completed. Principal approval is required prior to conducting this activity. Parent/carer consent must be obtained for student participation. Once approved, activity details are to be entered into the School curriculum activity register. 				

NOTE: If the activity is to be held off-site, parent/carer consent is required irrespective of the inherent risk level. Refer to the School Excursions procedure for the Excursion planner template.

Planning considerations

Incorporate the following factors when planning risk management strategies for this activity.

Which students will be involved?

- The number of participants, size of student groups and students' capabilities is considered e.g. age, experience, competence, fitness, maturity.
- Any individual participant needs e.g. personalised learning, support provisions is considered (including behaviour support plans), health management (including health plans and prescribed medication requirements) that may require additional supervision ratios or identification (including uniforms, hats and/or high visibility wrist bands).

Where will the students be?

- The location of the activity is considered e.g. remote/easily accessible, public /private, school/classroom/workshop or other.
- The number of participants is appropriate for the available space.
- If outdoors sunsafe strategies are implemented; weather and environmental conditions are assessed before and during activity (e.g. temperature, storms, water currents, tides); and strategies to reduce the likelihood of viruses, allergies and skin infections caused by insects (e.g. ticks, mosquitoes, spiders) and other animals are applied.
- The site is checked for hazards (e.g. poisonous plants, dangerous animals, uneven terrain, barbed wire) and necessary controls implemented.
- The nature of the activity is considered to ascertain whether safety/exclusion zones or spectator zones are appropriate.
- Activities are appropriately situated in relation to buildings, pedestrians, members of the public, vehicles and other activities e.g. designated areas for activity, spectators and vehicles are established.

What will the students be doing?

- The nature and duration of the activity is considered i.e. need for drinking water, food, rest, appropriate clothing, warm-up and warm-down.
- Instruction in rules, pre-requisite skills and safety procedures is provided to participants.
- Student skills are developed in a progressive and sequential manner.
- First aid and emergency medical treatment provisions are appropriate for the type of activity and location e.g. first aid kit, first aid trained personnel, Ventolin®, Epipen®, and students' personal prescribed medications as required in health plans are available.
- Emergency response strategies are in place that include, but not limited to, communication plans (e.g. mobile phone, walkie talkie), safety induction, evacuation plans.
- Hair, clothing, footwear and jewellery are worn in a manner that is appropriate and safe for the activity.
- Personal items, e.g. drink bottles, towels and mouthquards, are not shared between participants.

What will the students be using?

- Instruction in safety procedures and safe handling of equipment is provided.
- All equipment (including protective equipment) is suitable for the activity, properly maintained, appropriately
 used and complies with the relevant safety standard.
- Relevant <u>department procedures and guidelines</u> are adhered to for the use of equipment, compliance of equipment and appropriate work processes.

Who will be leading the activity?

 A registered teacher will have overall responsibility for the activity. THA RCD is assisting Teachers with the competition.

- Sufficient adult supervision is in place to manage the activity safely (including in emergency situations).
- The activity leader has the expertise (formal qualifications) or competence (knowledge and skills) to plan, induct, instruct and manage the activity safely for participants and others.
- There are sufficient supervisors present with current First Aid qualifications (including CPR) or ready access to qualified first aid personnel.
- A safety induction session (including designation of roles) is conducted with all supervisors prior to the commencement of the activity outlining risk management processes and emergency response strategies for the activity.
- Supervisors are active in their supervision, visible and are readily identifiable to participants.
- Blue Card requirements are adhered to for all supervising leaders/volunteers.
 I have incorporated the above factors when planning my risk management strategies for this activity.
 Additional activity-specific requirements for participants with specialised learning needs are provided in the Other Details box below.

Other Details:			
N/A			

Where a <u>CARA activity guideline</u> exists, ensure the minimum requirements are met. Check if relevant Codes of Practice/Guidelines exist for each activity. Consider any other information relevant to the safety of staff and students when conducting this activity and document below.

Where a CARA activity guideline exists:

OR .	
For each minimum requirement not achieved I have modified the activity or provided alternative controls ensure an equivalent level of safety as the minimum requirements in the attached CARA activity guidelin Information relevant to how this will be achieved is provided below in the respective boxes.	

Where a CARA activity guideline does not exist:

☐ I have identified the hazards and risks relevant to this activity and provided information below in the respective boxes about the risk management strategies that will be implemented to ensure the safety of students and others.

Mandatory/Special Requirements

Where hazardous chemicals are used or generated by the activity (e.g. dust, gas, fumes), complete the <u>Chemical Hazards in the Curriculum template</u> and attach it to this risk assessment.

Note: Where the overall risk level conclusion for the use of a hazardous chemical is extreme, the activity must not proceed, as risks are not effectively controlled.

Provide information about any mandatory or special requirements for each activity that is to occur:

Supervision Requirements

Each school participating provides registered teachers and adult supervision for their teams.

Teachers to supervise teams and control all games.

Two teams per one teacher.

Students not playing games should be seated under shade structures and spectating.

Parent/Carer Consent

As the activity is held off-site, parent/carer consent is required.

Equipment/Facilities Requirements

• MANDATORY - Students must wear a mouthguard when participating in Hockey. The Department strongly recommends that students wear custom-fitted mouthguards. Schools are required to provide information about the different types of mouthguards to parents/carers to assist them make an informed choice for the student, for example, see the Sport Medicine Australia - Dental Injuries and the Australian Dental Association recommendations.

MANDATORY - Students must wear shin guards when participating in Hockey.

- Goal keepers to wear headgear (i.e. helmet with face mask, throat protector), leg guards, kickers, leg pads, foot pads, chest protector, groin protector (male), pelvic protector (female) and gloves that conform to International Hockey Federation (FIH) Rules of Hockey.
- Jewellery must be removed (including watches) and long fingernails cut.
- Students to follow teacher's instructions at all times.
- · Soft brimmed hats only to be worn.
- Induct students on emergency procedures, safety procedures and correct technique (distributing the ball, grips).

Supervision Requirements

Provide information about supervision for each activity that is to occur:

Trials supervised by registered teachers who have demonstrated experience in this sport.

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Qualification Requirements

Provide information about the leader/supervisor's relevant qualifications and/or competence for each activity that is to occur:

All activity leaders are registered teachers who have demonstrated competency as well as experince in this activity.

Registered teachers that have:

- knowledge of the game and the associated hazards and risks
- experience in undertaking the activity
- competency to control games

Equipment/Facility Requirements

Provide information about equipment/facilities for each activity that is to occur:

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Hazards and Control Measures

Information on managing common hazards and risks in the school environment can be found at <u>Hazards an</u> Risks.	<u>d</u>

Provide information about:

• Hazards:

• Planned control measures:

(Before the activity)

Hazards Considering environmental conditions

Assess weather (Bureau of Meteorology) and environmental conditions.

- Follow Sun Safety Guidelines with students to be seated under shade structures when not involved in the game, wear hats and apply sunscreen.
- Instruct students to take special care when hitting balls on a field that is wet, to prevent dangerous undercutting.

Accessing facilities and using equipment

Assess suitability of the playing field (e.g. level, debris, potholes/divots in ground, line markers, corner flags, buildings, pedestrian traffic and other activities) before and during activity.

- Ensure that the method of fixing nets to the goal-posts and cross-bar is secure and safe. Metal cup-hooks should not be used and any spring hooks should have screw caps.
- Surround the synthetic hockey pitch with a barrier where possible.
- Check there is a safety screen of chain-link mesh behind each goal and wherever balls are most likely to leave the playing area at speed. If there are no saftey screens present, consider providing them.
- Ensure the safety zone is in place. If the minimum safety zone cannot be met, provide instructions to the officials/supervisors and students about the limited clearance zone and the steps they could take to ensure safety, including the following:
- reduce the size of the playing field to achieve an adequate clearance zone;
- remove spectators/dangerous obstacles within the clearance zone;
- station supervisors near any obstacles within the clearance zone; and
- pad any obstacles located within the clearance zone

(During the activity)

Considering environmental conditions

Cease the activity if the weather is unfavourable (e.g. extreme temperatures or excess water on the field).

 Follow Sun Safety Guidelines with students to be seated under shade structures when not involved in the game, wear hats and apply sunscreen.

Accessing facilities and using equipment

Continually monitor and enforce the correct use of all equipment. MANDATORY - Students must wear a mouthguard and shin guards when participating in Hockey.

Provide information about: • Hazards:	Planned control measures:						
	• Establish and implement safety procedures and correct technique when using hockey equipment (e.g. sticks, masks, shin guards and goal keeping equipment).						
• Goal keepers to wear headgear (i.e. helmet with face mask, throat protector), leg guards, kickers, leg pads, foot pads, chest protector, groin protector (male), pelvic protector (female) and gloves that conform to International Hockey Federation (FIH) Rules of Hockey.						or, groin	
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Once approved, activity details should be entered into the School curriculum activity register. Reference No.							
Monitoring and Review (to be con	mpleted during	g and	I/or after the activity.)		Yes	No	
Have additional hazards been identific	ed?						
Were the control measures effective?							

Monitoring and Review (to be completed during and/or after the activity.)	Yes	No
Are further or different actions required?		
Details:		

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