**RISK ASSESSMENT** 

Hall: No permanent seating area

 No area set aside for baggage/equipment

 No permanent piste markings

 No standard piste length

 Children inclined to leave premises and meet carer in car park

Risk: Spectators (mainly parents) attempting to move about fencing area to communicate

 with some fencers while other bouts are taking place

Action: Seating to be provided at all sessions and in designated area. Spectators for be

 Informed/reminded to wait for fencers to come to spectator area to talk

 Risk: Drinks spillage; slippery floor

 Action: Fencers to be made aware that drinks cannot be taken onto pistes at any time,

 even when no fencing is taking place.

 Risk: Individual fencers’ bags, etc being left anywhere in hall to trip over.

Action: Fencers to be informed/reminded regularly that all equipment is to be placed on the

 same side of the hall as the club kit when not in use and to be pushed against the

 wall to minimise risk of tripping

Risk: Non-standard length of Piste:

Action: Visiting fencers to be made aware of the length of the piste. Referee to call halt

 and give verbal warnings on all bouts for fencer safety; referee’s discretion as to

 whether to award penalty

Risk: Children inclined to run out to car park to meet guardian

Action: Parents/carers to be made aware that children should be collected from outer hall, in

 person: phoning children to come out in the dark on their own is not permitted.

Responsibility of: coach and senior officer of club at session

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