

Witham Priory Badminton Club: Sports Hall Risk Assessment

This risk assessment covers badminton play in the sports hall only. It does not cover outside areas including the car parks.

Potential Hazards Observed	Who Affected	Existing Control Measures (if any)	Overall Risk Rating High, Medium, Low	Further Action Required	Person Responsible and Date for Implementation
The playing of badminton. Injuries sustained during general gameplay.	Players	- Many of the existing players are of sufficient experience to keep accidents to a minimum by following a shared system of play around court. - New members are observed playing by the existing members/playing partner who would intervene if they perceived play as dangerous. - A fully stocked first aid box for minor injuries is kept in the badminton equipment box.	Medium	None	Witham Priory players / committee members/responsible adult
Players and spectators walking too close to the court and being struck by rackets.	Everyone	- Seats, benches, bags and equipment not in use kept as far back from courts as possible. - Players are reminded not to stand too near to the back of a court.	Low	None	Requires all sports hall users to be vigilant.
Obstacles near/on the court.	Players	The courts are clear before play begins. All items, e.g., chairs, tracksuits, extra shuttles, are placed well back from the courts or off court by the posts.	Low	None	Witham Priory players
Obstacles off the court, tripping hazards.	Everyone	Sports bags, rackets, clothing and water bottles are kept out of the walkway.	Low	None	Witham Priory players
Slippery floor	Everyone	None. Any water will be wiped up before play. Large amounts of water on court will result in the court not being used.	Low	None	Witham Priory players
Power failure in sports hall	Everyone	- Clearly identified fire exits and assembly point (on the field at the front of the school building by car park). - Emergency lighting.	Very Low	None	Witham Priory School caretaking staff

Tripping hazards in store room.	Everyone	Room organised with areas for storage identified.	Low	None	Witham Priory School caretaking staff Badminton club members to store own equipment safely.
Fire	Everyone	Clearly identified fire exits and assembly point (on the field at the front of the school building by car park). Follow club fire risk assessment.	Very Low	None	In event of fire, appointed fire officers will coordinate checking of hall, showers, store room and toilets.

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