

Level 3 Controllers Workshop

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Risk Management, Safety and
Contingency Planning

Risk Management Process



- Risk
 - A Risk Cause
 - May result in a Risk Event
 - Which may effect an Objective
- **May be a Threat or an Opportunity**
- E.g. very heavy rain floods creeks so that part of map is inaccessible affecting some courses
- E.g. Entries above budget enables additional services to spectators and competitors



Risk Management

- Risk Identification
 - Risk Areas – financial, to event, to competitors
- Assess Risk based on combination of
 - Likelihood (Very Likely, Likely, Unlikely)
 - Impact (H, M, L)
 - Often done in a grid
- Risk Planning – Determine Response
 - Accept risk
 - Mitigate risk
 - Remove risk
 - Contingency
- Implement Risk Response
- Continue to Review Risks as part of event planning

Risk Management





Event Risks

- Financial risk to organising body
- Resources
- Risk of event cancellation
 - Weather
 - Loss of area
 - Potential access problems
 - Contingency Planning
- Environmental Impacts
 - assembly area
 - courses
- Public Safety

“Organisers” Risk



- Mappers – working alone
- Work in the field by
 - Course planners
 - Controllers

Risk to Competitors



- Approach is generally to mitigate risk
- Planning assembly area
 - Traffic
 - Access
- Sprint events in urban areas
 - Traffic
 - General Public
 - Hazards
 - Course planning considerations
 - Notifications to competitors



Risk to Competitors

- Bush events -
 - Course planning considerations
 - Hazards
 - Map marking/overprinting
 - Marking in field
 - Consider map extents/boundaries especially for junior courses
 - Age and ability of competitors
 - Planning for the Weather
 - Hot (drinks)
 - Cold
 - First Aid at event
 - Safety Information provided to competitors – in event information, at event, at start

Search and Rescue



- Events Must have a Search and Rescue Plan
- A Designated Search and Rescue Coordinator
 - Needs to be on site at event until all runners have returned
- Resources for a Search –
 - Search teams
 - Emergency contacts
 - Maps (all courses and controls, extensions of area)
 - Communication equipment
 - Retrieval team(s) and vehicles
 - Ability to access vehicle tracks in the area
 - Above need to be in place on the day
- Monitoring missing runners on the Day
- First Aid