

SEVERN VALE SWIMMING CLUB (SVSC)

Tewkesbury Leisure Centre Swim - Risk Assessment

No	Risk	Mitigation / Control Measure
1	Inappropriate or unauthorised people access the swim	Two levels of access control are provided. (1) By the Leisure Centre Reception staff and physical access barrier, (2) Severn Vale Committee Member/s positively verify the identity of everyone admitted to the swim. i.e only known Members or expected visitors are admitted into the swim. SVSC Swim Door Policy refers.
2	Inadvertent offence caused to members of the public	Naturism is permitted in the wet-side areas of the leisure centre only; the dry side is a textile area at all times. Blackout blinds are fitted to all clear glass windows surrounding and / or overlooking the pool. SVSC Members and visitors are not permitted onto the poolside until all blinds are in place (P4P staff responsibility). Blinds are monitored and the blackout is enforced by P4P Staff throughout. Access to the wet-side changing village is controlled by SVSC Committee Member/s throughout the swim. SVSC Members or visitors are not permitted into the Changing Village until any previous user groups have vacated the wet side area completely.
3	Inappropriate behaviour from SVSC Members or visitors during a swim	Behaviour is continually monitored by SVSC Committee Members throughout the swim. Committee Member decisions are final; any individuals behaving inappropriately will be asked to leave the building immediately. SVSC Club Constitution and Safeguarding Policy (available on SVSC website www.severnvalesc.org) refer.
4	Safeguarding Issues (not limited to young people or vulnerable adults)	SVSC Committee Members and Safeguarding Officers receive appropriate, regular Safeguarding Training as per Gloucestershire Country Council Safeguarding framework. Committee Members and / or Safeguarding Officer/s are available at every swim. Escalation route for concerns is clearly documented and understood. Children retain the right to wear swimwear if they so choose. Members and visitors are reminded not to engage in any behaviour that might be liable to misinterpretation (e.g. accompanying an older child into a single shower or changing cubicle). SVSC Safeguarding Policy (available on the SVSC website, www.severnvalesc.org) refers.
5	Member or Visitor becomes unwell or requires medical treatment	P4P Lifeguards suitably trained, qualified and available. SVSC maintains an accurate record of all attendees who are present in the building. SVSC liaise with P4P and Southwest Ambulance Service staff as appropriate to ensure casualties are promptly handed over to professional care as necessary. SVSC

		<p>Accident Book provided, maintained and reviewed annually.</p> <p>For Data Protection and confidentiality reasons, SVSC do not hold or maintain any medical records on Members or visitors, and can therefore provide Emergency Services with limited information only.</p>
6	Slip, trip or fall (especially, but not limited to, senior or infirm Members or visitors).	SVSC Members and Visitors are reminded of the physical nature of the swim and of P4P rules for safe conduct on the poolside. Members and visitors are encouraged not to enter the wet-side areas if they are unwell or in any way unfit to use the building safely. Control Measure 5 also applies.
7	Burns or scalds (regarding the use of Sauna or Steam Room)	SVSC Members and Visitors are reminded to read and adhere to all safety and warning notices provided by P4P. Children under the age of 16 yrs are not permitted to use the Sauna or Steam Room. Control Measures 3 and 5 also apply.
8	Injury caused by foreign object	Sharp, glass or otherwise breakable objects are not permitted in the wet-side areas of the leisure centre. P4P staff to be alerted to any breakage or damage as soon as practically possible. Control Measure 5 may also apply.
9	Emergency Evacuation	P4P Centre Manager and Lifeguards suitably trained, qualified and available. SVSC maintains an accurate record of all attendees who are present in the building and can provide a list of those people as necessary. Swimmers are encouraged to take a towel onto the poolside. Aluminium space blankets sufficient for 60 people are provided by SVSC and available for immediate use (towels and space blankets required to provide warmth and modesty cover).
10	Theft or removal of personal property	Access to the building is managed as per Control Measure 1. SVSC Members and Visitors' conduct is monitored as per Control Measure 3. All swim participants are requested to use Lockers provided in the wet-side changing village.
11	Provision of Refreshments	Food, drinks or refreshments of any type are not permitted on the poolside. Refreshments may also be purchased from the Leisure Centre café (where Control Measure 2 applies, ie suitable clothing must be worn).

Severn Vale Swimming Club.

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