

Bishops Lydeard and Cothelstone MUGA Risk Assessment

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Area	Rating	Control Measures	Status
Colliding with the fencing during play - broken limbs, bruising, bumps and cuts/grazes to user.	Medium	The fence that surrounds the perimeter of the MUGA is smooth on the inside.	Users use the MUGA at their own risk.
Equipment failure	Low	Equipment to be inspected annually by external safety company. MUGA weekly checks undertaken. Contact details are displayed on the MUGA fencing for reporting equipment issues.	Annual external inspections contract in place. MUGA weekly checks in place. The checks are monitored by the clerk.
Manual handling	Low	MUGA equipment to be moved in accordance with good manual handling practice.	MUGA equipment to be moved by those authorised to do so.
Slips, trips and falls – broken limbs, bruising, bumps and cuts/grazes to user when falling on surface.	Medium	The tarmac overlay is open graded porous surface course specifically designed for this type of area. Markings for netball, basketball and five-a-side football are painted onto this surface to indicate play area.	Users use the MUGA at their own risk.

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Leaves falling onto surface – slippery when wet. User slips or jolts from loss of footing.	Low	There are trees and hedgerow around the play area and in inclement weather leaves will be blown onto the MUGA surfaces. The weekly MUGA checks include litter picks and leaf sweeping as required.	MUGA weekly checks in place. The checks are monitored by the clerk.
Accidents & First Aid	Low	Users to be aware of their surroundings. Regular inspection and maintenance of MUGA. Users use the MUGA/Tennis Court at their own risk and to have their own first aid arrangements in place. An Accident Book is available in the MUGA shed for those using MUGA equipment.	MUGA notices in place.
Disabled persons	Low	The MUGA can be used by a disabled person. Disabled access via gate and level footpaths. Disabled person to advise the Parish Clerk if there are difficulties using MUGA.	Contact details are displayed on the MUGA/ fencing for reporting issues.