

Assessment of risk

Each hazard or group of hazards is assessed for how likely it is to occur, and the possible severity of the consequences if it does occur. Multiply the likelihood and the severity to obtain an overall risk factor for each hazard. Multiple injury is where more than one person is injured.

Any hazard which comes out with a score of **9 or more** should be considered carefully and control measures should be in place for any risks falling into the shaded categories.

Severity Likelihood	Trivial 1	Minor injury 2	Multiple minor injury 3	Single serious injury 4	Multiple injury 5	Death 6
Extremely unlikely 1	1	2	3	4	5	6
Unlikely 2	2	4	6	8	10	12
Possible 3	3	6	9	12	15	18
Probable 4	4	8	12	16	20	24
Likely 5	5	10	15	20	25	30
Very likely 6	6	12	18	24	30	36