

Chatham Table Tennis Club

Health & Safety, Risk Assessment

The primary aim of a the Club's Health & Safety Policy is to avoid harm to health and to promote the safety and welfare of all involved. This includes Club Members, visiting teams, the general public or persons that may come into contact with us while engaged in our sport or activities.

- This policy seeks to ensure that we comply with the legal requirements that are enforced through acts of parliament and European Directives.
- The Club's Executive Committee have a moral and legal responsibility to ensure that the Club's activities and all that they entail, are as safe as "practically possible". and "Risk Assessments" are used as a guide for the Club to develop "Control Measures" with the view to hopefully eliminating the risk altogether. Wherever this cannot be done, then the risks must be reduced to an "acceptable" level. A 'Risk Assessment' notice will be posted on notice boards at our three venues. The benefits of Risk Assessment include reducing the likelihood of accidents occurring, decreasing the chance of injury, increasing performance and participation as well as protecting the Club from possible litigation. In turn, this also creates a "positive safety culture" within the Club.

Risk Assessment notices are reviewed on a regular basis and, where necessary, updated by the Club's Safety Officer with reference to and in agreement with the Executive Committee who are all signatories to this policy, the master copy of which is held at our Administration Office.

Visitors to the Club's venues will be advised to read the Risk Assessment Notice on their arrival.