



## Risk Management & Your Shooting Sports Program

# What you need to know about ***Risk Management!***

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# What is Risk?

Risk ..... is the chance of  
loss





***Risk Management*** is the process of protecting ***assets*** by minimizing the potential for negative outcomes



## What are *assets*?

Assets are items that are valued by an organization or individual such as:

- \* Equipment
- \* Facilities
- \* Finances
- \* People
- \* Reputation



# How do we manage risk?

**Risk can be managed in four ways:**

- 1. Assuming the risk** – going ahead with the program and accepting the responsibility
- 2. Reducing the risk** – recognizing the safety issues of the program and working to manage them
- 3. Avoiding the risk** – canceling the program to eliminate responsibility
- 4. Transferring the risk** – switching the responsibility of the assumed risks to another entity



## Reducing Risk - Liability

- In order to reduce ***Risk***, you must recognize the specific duties you have as the person in charge and your ***Liability***
- ***Liability*** is a legal obligation or duty
  - There are two types of ***Liability***:
    - ***Criminal*** – duty to the community
    - ***Civil*** – duty to an individual



## Reducing Risk - Liability

- **Civil Liability** has two categories:
- **Contractual** – not fulfilling an agreement
- **Tort** – a legal wrong doing committed upon a person who suffers damages as a direct result
  - **Negligence** is a failure to perform a legal duty that results in damages. As a shooting sports leader you have nine legal responsibilities you must fulfill



## Your nine *legal* responsibilities as a shooting sports leader

1. Provide proper instruction
2. Explain the inherent risks.....repeatedly
3. Monitor for injury or incapacity
4. Provide adequate, safe equipment
5. Properly plan the activity
6. Provide for proper emergency response
7. Maintain adequate records
8. Provide close supervision
9. Inspect your environment...continuously





## A Risk Management Plan

- You should have a written ***Risk Management Plan*** in place to assist you in meeting your legal obligations and duties to the individuals participating in your shooting sports program



# Your Risk Management Plan

- A good Risk Management Plan addresses issues you may encounter including:

Rationale & Goals

Inspections

Personnel Policies

Lesson Plans

Job Descriptions

Emergency Plans

Record Keeping

First Aid

Leader Certification

Supervision

# Risk Management... It's Your Job!

