

## Javelin Throw Hazards

	<b>Who /How affected</b>	<b>Control Assessment</b>
<b>Runway</b>	Athletes and officials- injury from slipping/tripping due to defective surface or objects on the runway	1) Ensure no obstructions, check marks placed on runway 2) Ensure that measuring tapes do not encroach onto runway 3) Encourage athletes to wear appropriate footwear <b>Control measure responsibilities</b> <b>1- ground staff, Technical Manager, officials</b> <b>2- officials</b> <b>3- athletes, coaches</b>
<b>Implements</b>	Athletes and officials- injury from handling defective javelin	1) Check javelins before the event and after each throw to ensure they conform to the relevant rules, especially the grip. <b>Control measure responsibilities</b> <b>1- Technical Manager, officials</b>
<b>Weather</b>	Athletes and officials- injury from slipping on wet surface. Effects of sun/heat/cold	1) Ensure runway surface and drains are cleaned to allow drainage 2) Sweep runway during competition to remove excess water, Grit or debris 3) Provision of shelter from the elements, sunscreen, water <b>Control measure responsibilities</b> <b>1 Ground staff</b> <b>2 Officials</b> <b>3 Athletes, Technical Manager, Officials</b>
<b>Lighting Conditions</b>	Athletes, Officials- injury from not being able to see event area layout, objects or other dangers	1) Ensure adequate lighting for meeting in hours of twilight or darkness <b>Control measure responsibilities</b> <b>1 Ground staff, Technical Manager, Officials</b>
<b>Warm up/Competition</b>	Athletes, officials- injury from being hit by javelin	1) ensure the runway is coned when not in use, and access controlled during warm up and competition 2) Supervise all warm up and competition throws . 3) Ensure each athlete throws in turn and from the runway only 4) Once competition has begun implements are not to be used for practice purposes <b>Control measure responsibilities</b> <b>1- Ground staff</b> <b>2- officials</b> <b>3, 4- officials, athletes</b>

## Additional points for Javelin

- 1) All officials, volunteers and athletes in and near the competition area must be aware of the need for concentration at all times
- 2) Practice throws are to be supervised by officials and in competition order
- 3) Practice throws are not allowed outside the runway
- 4) Only officials allowed forward of the runway
- 5) Officials forward of the runway should stand outside the landing sector lines and face the runway or thrower
- 6) The javelin must be carried back, vertically with tip down, and not thrown
- 7) A "Traffic control" official must be in place when track events are taking place adjacent to the javelin runway, or if the runway crosses another field event competition area
- 8) Track kerbing removed whilst the event is in progress should be placed in a safe place and replaced at the competition of the competition
- 9) Ensure any cones used to mark the inner edge of the track where kerbing has been removed do not pose a trip hazard for competitors.
- 10) "Danger throwing in progress" signage and roping off of throwing areas to be in place at all times

**Additional points for all field events**

- 1) If the weather conditions make continuing the competition hazardous (wind, rain, lightning, lack of light) competition should cease until conditions become safe again.**
- 2) Ensure officials, athletes and any other persons present in the competition area are aware of safety requirements for the event.**
- 3) Anyone who refuses to comply with safety requirements should be removed from the competition area.**