

**Empire Grappling Events Ltd**  
**General Event Risk Assessment**  
**(Updated January 2026)**

**Event Details**

Organisation: Empire Grappling Events Ltd

Event Type: Grappling / Jiu Jitsu / Martial Arts Competition

Assessment Scope: General risk assessment applicable to all Empire Grappling events.

**Risk Assessment Summary**

This risk assessment builds upon the previous assessment and incorporates updated UK event safety considerations including safeguarding, crowd management, medical provision, venue safety, and operational risks.

Activity / Area	Hazard	Persons at Risk	Initial Risk	Control Measures	Residual Risk
Public Entrance / Exit	Trips, congestion, injury at entry points	Spectators, competitors, staff	Medium	Clearly marked entrances/exits, trained marshals, accessible routes, monitored access points.	Low
Emergency Evacuation	Fire, structural issue, extreme weather, security threat	All attendees	High	Venue evacuation plan, clear fire exits, PA announcements, trained marshals, emergency services access.	Low
Medical / First Aid	Competition injuries, illness, heat exhaustion	Competitors, spectators	High	Qualified paramedics or medical staff present, first aid stations, incident reporting procedures.	Low
Child Safeguarding	Lost children or safeguarding concerns	Children, families	Medium	Designated safeguarding officer, clear reporting procedure, visible staff, safeguarding policy in place.	Low
Crowd Management	Overcrowding, pushing, conflict	Spectators, staff	High	Marshalls controlling entry points, ticket control where applicable, barrier systems separating competition area.	Low

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Toilet Provision	None	Members of the Public	Medium	Ensure enough toilets present at site for numbers attending.	Low
Competition Area	Impact injury to spectators from competitors	Spectators	Medium	Mats with adequate safety area, barriers separating spectators, trained referees controlling matches.	Low
Electrical Equipment	Trips over cables, electrical hazards	Staff, spectators	Medium	Cable covers used, equipment checked prior to event, qualified technicians managing equipment.	Low
Car Parking	Vehicle movement causing injury	Public, competitors	Medium	Designated parking areas, disabled parking provision, emergency vehicle access routes kept clear.	Low
Catering	Food poisoning or allergic reaction	Spectators, competitors	Medium	Caterers must comply with UK food hygiene regulations, allergen information displayed.	Low
Cash Handling / Payments	Theft or confrontation	Staff	Medium	Limited cash handling, secure storage, multiple staff present when handling cash.	Low
Photography / Filming	Images of children shared inappropriately	Children	Medium	Safeguarding and privacy policies, responsible media use guidance.	Low
Slips / Trips	Spills or equipment causing slips	All attendees	Medium	Venue housekeeping checks, hazard signage, prompt cleaning of spills.	Low

### Declaration

I confirm that this risk assessment will be reviewed prior to each event and appropriate control measures will be implemented to ensure the safety of participants, spectators, staff, and volunteers.

**Assessed by:** Jake Cross

**Position:** Director / Event Organiser

**Review Date:** Annually or prior to each event.