

Risk Assessments & Crisis Mitigation

TABLETOP SCENARIOS

SCENARIO 1

- Road construction was supposed to be complete the week before your event about 2km from the start of your race. It's now Thursday before the weekend and you still have a large hole in the ground across the road.

SCENARIO 2

- When you arrive to your event site the morning of the race you see the toilets have already been delivered. However after a quick count you realize you are short by 35% of what you ordered. The only reason you noticed this was an issue was because there was spacing between the toilets. The venue owner already warned you the year before about the lack of toilets. Athletes are arriving within 90 minutes.

SCENARIO 3

- It is Monday of event week. It has been forecasted to rain heavily this weekend and your event team is relying on volunteers to show up to support athletes. By Thursday it is clear there will be heavy rain, and your volunteer coordinator has indicated that 10% of your volunteers have now indicated they aren't coming.

SCENARIO 4

- You have a great local media opportunity during your race which you have vetted with an athlete. (a wedding proposal at the finish line of an elite-Olympic athlete to a teacher who is local fundraising hero) Both are participating in your event. You have scouted & staged with the photographers and local TV the best angles next to the VIP tent. Your concern is that the athlete is a transgender athlete and you know that their gender identity has sparked strong opinions & sometimes demonstrations at other events. One of your biggest sponsors is at the finish line, but has declined to hold the finish tape, and is instead standing next to your photographer eating food under the 10x10 VIP tent. Your team notices a number of people approaching the finish area as the elite-Olympic athlete has been spotted to be 200m from the finish.

SCENARIO 5

- Your first 3 athletes are well ahead of the pack and correctly going the right direction with your escort, but the rest of the race has been directed down the wrong road, missing a turn.

SCENARIO 6

- It's a very hot day, and your team has prepared supplies for this contingency out on course. You have asked each aid station to report back in regular intervals to ensure you're monitoring the situation. However one of your aid stations is in an area where cell reception is poor to non-existent.

SCENARIO 7

- The course parallels a busy road, and proper lane delineation is in place. Your course team & event medical team are also monitoring this stretch carefully and have swept the road, taped arrows on the ground, and have marshals at a corner. The last athletes you think are through, but you're unclear as you've lost the last athlete (your sweep is transporting an athlete back to finish). The police officer in the area has opened traffic into the race route.

SCENARIO 8

- The last 200m of any race is a known area of risk, and your team has spotters in place and medics ready on standby. A female in her early 30's collapses in the final 50m. She is attended to immediately, and is taken off site by BCEHS. Her race # indicates though that she is Cliff Cunningham. There are no other contact details, no phone or apple watch or next of kin details for this female.

SCENARIO 9

- You have a kids race that is well attended every year and a big fundraiser for the local high school. The high school students' are your key volunteers for this event. Immediately after the event, a man in his mid 70's is found looking confused and cannot remember why he is there and starts becoming agitated at the attention he's receiving from the volunteer high school students trying to help.

SCENARIO 11

- The traffic control company you've hired for this year's race you've used for 5 years. The lead supervisor for the event is very experienced and provides regular updates. It's 45min to race start, when the lead supervisor calls distressed telling you that staff haven't shown up; "...we're missing about 30% of my TCP's required." It is clear that the race will not be ready for the "all clear."

SCENARIO 12

- Your event has traditionally had 120-145 participants. Your team is very experienced and the event is well known to the community. A celebrity has announced on their social that they will be taking part in your event and registration increased overnight to almost 400 participants a week out from the event and people are still registering.

SCENARIO 13

- It's a perfect weather day, and a new course record has been set, with outstanding performances from both male and females as well as masters athletes. Pending review by officials, it also looks to be one of the most competitive performances/ fields of the year for the majority of age groups with results roughly 1% faster than last year. As your handing out medals to age groupers your lead athlete escort then informs you they think the out n back section might not have been in the correct position for half the race as it was moved when they went back to help sweep & clear the course. The race might be short (but close) based on the performances.

SCENARIO 14

- A young child, approximately seven, approaches a volunteer and says they cannot find their parent.