## Resource 13: Example assessment scales

| Severity | Likelihood (or frequency) |
|---|---|
| Extremely harmful (3) | Likely (3) |
| Harmful (2) | Unlikely (2) |
| Slightly harmful (1) | Highly unlikely (1) |
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| **Severity** | **Likelihood** |
| Major (death or serious injury) (3) | High (harm is certain or near certain) (3) |
| Serious (over three days' absences) (2) | Medium (harm will occur frequently) (2) |
| Slight (up to three days' absence) (1) | Low (harm will seldom occur) (1) |
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| **Severity** | **Likelihood** |
| No injury to person(s) (1) | Very unlikely (1) |
| Minor injury (2) | Chance of occurrence remote (2) |
| Major injury (3) | Probably could happen (3) |
| Serious involving long-term injury (4) | Definitely will occur (4) |
| Permanent disability/possibly death (5) |  |
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| **Useful acronyms** |  |
| Low frequency, low consequence (L/L) | High frequency, high consequence (H/H) |
| Low frequency, high consequence (L/H) | High frequency, low consequence (H/L) |