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Statement of Risks

As with all outdoor activities it is important that the members of Forth and Tay Disabled Ramblers consider and understand that by participating in a ramble, using an electric scooter, that there will be some risks. A risk assessment is carried out prior to every ramble, but there are some risk factors that are inherent in all rambles, and members must accept personal responsibility for their own safety.

Our volunteers will be available to guide members where risks may exist, but it is impossible to plan for every possible risk, especially with the changing nature of the countryside. Below are some examples of risks that you need to be aware of [this list is not exhaustive]

TERRAIN

- The ground surface can be bumpy and cause vibrations when on a scooter.
- Weather can also affect the ground making the surface muddy or slippery, which could cause a fall
- The ground can be uneven with eg tree roots, rocks, which may affect the stability of a scooter, or cause a trip hazard for walkers
- There can be drops at the side of paths which require care, as this could affect the stability of a scooter, or cause a fall

SCOOTERS

- On rare occasions scooters can tip, potentially causing injury
- Scooter stability can be affected by the terrain

MISCELLANEOUS

- Weather can be unpredictable, and members need to be prepared for cold, wet, or hot weather, to prevent, for example, discomfort, sun burn
- At times we need to cross roads with traffic.