Appendix 1: What is the risk level of my project?

To help determine the risk level of your project, please start at column A and work your way down through the 3 risk levels.

A	**B**	**C**
Is my project ***high*** risk?	Is my project ***low*** risk?	Is my project ***minimal*** risk?
If you answer yes to *any* of the questions in column A your research is deemed to be high risk If you answer no to *all* question in column A then proceed to column B.	If you answer yes to *any* of the questions in column B your research is deemed to be low risk. If you answer no to *all* questions in column B then proceed to column C.	You have identified that there are no foreseeable risks to your research participants. Therefore you may be eligible for the Minimal Ethical Risk Registration Process.
a. Will you be recruiting vulnerable participants? b. Will participants take part in the study without their consent, or will deception of any sort be involved? d. Could participants disclose any illegal or harmful activity due to the nature of the research? e. Could the study induce stress, anxiety or negative consequences on the participant? f. Could the study identify any urgent mental health risks including suicidal ideation and/or self-harm? g. Is there a foreseeable risk that the participants capacity to give fully informed consent could dimmish during the project? h. Does the study involve imaging techniques? i. Does the study involve ultrasound or sources of non-ionising radiation? j. Does the study involve physically intrusive procedures, administration of substances, collection of bodily materials, or DNA/RNA analysis? k: Are you requesting the use of parental opt-out consent for the recruitment of under 16's?	a. Will participants be under 16 years old? b. Will any gatekeepers in a position of influence be aware of who has participated in the study? c. Will the researcher be in a position of influence or authority over participants that could give rise to a perceived pressure to participate (i.e. lecturers/teachers and students)? d. Will personally sensitive subjects be discussed that participants might not be willing to otherwise talk about in public (i.e. medical conditions)? e. Will undue incentives be offered? f. Wil you be accessing any secondary/pre-existing data in the private domain that contains identifiable information? g. Will you be conducting any observations within a private domain? (Please note this does not include non-interventional classroom observations with over 16's). h. Does the project involve any physical procedures that involves the removal of clothes, or poses a risk of cross contamination?	
Following submission of a high-risk application within REMAS, applications will be reviewed at the next relevant RESC review meeting. Guidance on how to determine which RESC will review your project and a full list of deadlines and meeting dates can be found here. Outcomes will be received 10 working days after the meeting date.	Following submission of a low-risk application within REMAS. Undergraduate and Postgraduate projects will receive a review outcome within 18 working days. PhD and Staff projects will receive a review outcome within 21 working days.	Following submission of the registration form you will be provided with an automated formal confirmation of registration within 24 hours.