

Task: Chelmsford Museum School Session – Victorian Home		Unit/Area/Plant: Chelmsford Museum, Oaklands Park		Service: Museums	
Assessment Date: 19/10/2022		Review Date:		Compiled By (Assessors): L. French	
Persons Consulted:					
Description of task being assessed (including limitations): Running a safe educational session for visiting school children and teachers on the topic Victorian Home					

Common Hazards			
Hazards	PA	Hazards	PA
Slips & Trips (Access/Egress/Walkways)	A C D	Falls from Height	
Manual Handling (Lifting/Pushing/Pulling)	A	Falling Objects	
Manual Handling (Repetitive Strain)		Deep Water	
Ergonomics		Excavations (Subsidence)	
Inclement Weather (Sunlight/Ice/Snow/Wind)		Fire/Explosion	A C D
Temperature/ Humidity	A C D	Electricity	
Violence & Aggression	C D	Sharp Objects	A C D
Psychosocial Issues (Stress)		Oxygen Deficiency/ Enrichment	
Flammable Substances (COSHH OR DSEAR RA)			

Plant/Equipment/Vehicle/Machinery Hazards			
Hazards	PA	Hazards	PA
Noise		Ejection	
Vibration (HAVS & WBVS)		Trapping or Drawing In	
Pressure (Air or Liquid)		Crushing	A C D
Stored Energy		Impact	
Electrical		Friction or Abrasion	
Fire/Explosion		Entanglement	
Thermal Hot/ Cold Surfaces		Shearing/Severing	
Radiation (Ionizing/Non-Ionizing)		Cutting/Severing	
Fumes Gases		Stabbing/ Puncturing	
Steam		Fluid Injection	
Magnetic Fields			

Health Hazards	
Hazards	PA
Chemicals (COSHH RA)	A C D
Heavy Metals	
Non-Conforming/ Hazardous Waste	
Dusts	
Liquids from Waste	
Noise	
Liquids	
Gases	
Solids	
Bacterial/Parasites/ Viruses/ Bio Aerosols	
Herbicides/Insecticides/ Pesticides	

Persons Affected (PA):	A - Employees	B – Members of the Public	C - Customer	D – Children/Young Persons
	E – New/Expectant Mothers	F - Contractors	G - Visitors	H – All PA's

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Risk Rating – Severity (S) x Likelihood (L) = Risk (R)

Low (L)

<8 – Risk acceptable with controls inform staff.

Medium (M)

8 – 14 – Provide specific training &/or brief staff (Record on training plan).

High (H)

>14 – STOP & review controls in place via an improvement plan.

Hazard Description	Potential Risk	Existing Methods/Control Measures	Risk Rating			Risk (L/M/H)	Further Actions/Comments
			S	L	R		
Slips and trips	Excited children running or pushing on stairs or in corridors may slip or fall.	Children warned in safety briefing not to run and move around the museum in a calm and orderly fashion.	2	2	4	L	
Manual handling	Resources used in some of the teaching sessions are heavy and need to be moved from storage cupboards to the education room, potential injuries if lifted incorrectly.	Museum staff receive manual handling training	2	1	2	L	
Temperature / humidity	Too hot or cold resulting in heat exhaustion or illness.	Education room is temperature controlled. Children may drink water during the teaching session if required.	2	1	2	L	
Fire / explosion	Fire within the building resulting in asphyxiation and/or burns.	Standard evacuation procedure to be followed in the event of a fire. Children and teachers informed of evacuation procedure in safety briefing at the start of the session.	3	1	3	L	
Sharp objects	Some of the objects handled in the Victorian Kitchen may be sharp.	Museum staff to demonstrate correct use of objects and supervise children throughout the session. In the event of injury refer to first aider. There is a qualified first aider on duty in the museum at all times.	2	1	2	L	

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Crushing	Small replica mangles and Victorian irons used in laundry activity may cause minor injuries.	Museum staff to demonstrate correct use of objects and supervise children throughout the session. In the event of injury refer to first aider. There is a qualified first aider on duty in the museum at all times.	2	1	2	L	
Chemicals	Dairy products used in butter making may trigger allergic reactions.	Schools asked to give details of any allergies at time of booking. If a child is allergic to dairy an alternative activity will be used.	3	1	3	L	

Summary of Internal Documentation (Procedures/Guidance/Safe Systems of Work/Tool Box Talks etc. and parts thereof, used to train employees)		List other Risk Assessments linked to this one (i.e. Manual Handling)
<p>Teaching staff briefed on risk assessment; risk assessment available for visiting schools to download from website in advance of their visit.</p>		<p>Manual handling</p>
<p><i>I confirm I am the person responsible for ensuring the control measures are being complied with, and for implementing additional controls.</i></p>		
Assessed/Reviewed By: Caroline Hammer	Signature: <i>Caroline Hammer</i>	Date: 19/10/2022
Communicated to Staff by: Caroline Hammer	Signature: <i>Caroline Hammer</i>	Date: 02/11/2022

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