

## **General Risk Assessment**

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Task: Chelmsford Museum School Session – Film makers for a Day

Unit/Area/Plant: Chelmsford Museum, Oaklands Park

Service: Museums

Assessment Date: 19/10/2022 Review Date: 13/08/2024 Compiled By (Assessors): L. French Persons Consulted: J Hiskey

Description of task being assessed (including limitations): Running a safe educational session for visiting school children and teachers on the topic Film Makers for a Day

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

Plant/Equipment/Vehicle/Machinery Hazards							
Hazards	PA	A Hazards					
Noise		Ejection					
Vibration (HAVS & WBVS)		Trapping or Drawing In					
Pressure (Air or Liquid)		Crushing					
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)				
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>B</b> – Members of the Public	<b>C</b> - Customer	<b>D</b> – Children/Young Persons
Persons Affected (PA).	<b>E</b> – New/Expectant Mothers	<b>F</b> - Contractors	<b>G</b> - Visitors	<b>H</b> – All PA's



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

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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.  Teachers, TA and education team must always supervise the children to ensure this is controlled.	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. Certain items need to be lifted, pushed, pulled or carried by two people where possible. Lighten and even the load to prevent injury. Training updated 2-3 years	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.	Children and teachers informed of evacuation procedure in safety briefing at the start of the session. Register is taken by teacher on arrival. The fire evacuation procedure is updated regularly. Children and teachers informed of evacuation procedure in safety briefing at the start of the session.  Operations manager or Technician test the fire alarm system weekly. Daily checks are carried out on fire escapes and fire doors.  Weekly checks carried out on fire safety equipment.  Regular practice fire evacuations are carried out.  Building is risk assessed every 2-3 years by an external assessor.  All portable electrical items are PAT tested annually by a competent contractor or technician.  Fixed wiring certification is updated every 5 years and is available on request.  All gas appliances are checked annually by a registered gas safe engineer.  No compressed air or gas are present on site.  Employees are fire warden trained.	3	1	3	L		



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Inappropriate use of iPads	Children using the museum iPads to create their films may be exposed to or create inappropriate content.	Refer to School's Use of iPads and Tablets risk assessment.	3	1	3	L		
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Description			S	L	R	(L/M/H)	Further Actions/Comments
Violence and aggression	Danger from other museum visitors.  Children wandering off into park, risk of assault or abduction, risk from dogs – bites or fouling.	The museum is open to the public during school sessions with museum assistants on duty at the reception desk and patrolling through the museum; with CCTV access on the front desk (recorded at the Council CCTV Control Room). Museum staff are all DBS certified. The museum is connected to Townlink radio via handsets. The purpose is to communicate with CCTV very quickly.  Staff have access to a panic alarm on the front desk which is connected directly to Colt Security via Essex Police.  A procedure is in place to lock the building down quickly in the event of an emergency.  Operations manager completed conflict resolution training.  Appropriate briefing by staff on arrival and ensure compliance with instructions. No children should leave the building unless supervised by school and museum staff. Dog walkers are asked to keep their dogs under control or on a leash, and to clear up any fouling. Dogs are not permitted in the play areas.  All employees and volunteers are trained in Safeguarding to a minimum of level 2. Management at level 3. There is a designated Safety Reporting officer for the museum.	4	1	4	L	
			S	L	R		

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Summary of Internal Documentation (Procedures/Guidance/Safe Systems of Work/Tool Box Talks et	List other Risk Assessments linked to this one (i.e. Manual Handling)			
Teaching staff briefed on risk assessment; risk assessment availal their visit. Emergency procedures – in the event of a threat or incident Fire evacuation procedure First Aid Training – Appointed First aiders on the premises. Fire warden training. Safeguarding training Conflict Resolution training	eaching staff briefed on risk assessment; risk assessment available for visiting schools to download from website in advance of leir visit.  mergency procedures – in the event of a threat or incident  re evacuation procedure  rest Aid Training – Appointed First aiders on the premises.  re warden training.  afeguarding training			
I confirm I am the person responsible for ensuring the control me	al controls.			
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