# event risk assessment guidance note and form



A full risk assessment should be carried out for all events. This will be a legal requirement in many circumstances. The following guidance should aid you in carrying out your risk assessments. A form to record your findings has also been provided.

# Identifying the hazards

All hazards should be identified including those relating to the individual activities and any equipment. A hazard is something with the potential to cause harm. Only note hazards which could result in significant harm. The following should be taken into account:

- Any slipping, tripping or falling hazards.
- Hazards relating to fire risks or fire evacuation procedures.
- Any chemicals or other substances hazardous to health e.g. dust or fumes.
- · Moving parts of machinery.
- Any vehicles on site.
- Electrical safety e.g. use of any portable electrical appliances.
- Manual handling activities.
- High noise levels.
- Poor lighting, heating or ventilation.
- Any possible risk from specific demonstrations or activities.
- Crowd intensity and pinch points.
- Types of attendees such as children, elderly persons and the disabled.
- Crowd control, capacity, access and egress and stewarding.
- Provision for the emergency services.
- Provision for first aid.
- Provision of facilities.
- Fire, security and cash collection.

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- Health and safety issues.
- Exhibitors and demonstrations.
- Amusements and attractions.
- Structures.
- Waste management.

This list is by no means exhaustive and care should be taken to identify any other hazards associated with the activities at the event.

# Identifying those at risk

For each hazard identified, list all those who may be affected. Do not list individuals by name, just list groups of people. The following should be taken into account:

- Stewards.
- Employees.
- Volunteers.
- Contractors.
- Vendors, exhibitors and performers.
- Members of the public.
- Disabled persons.
- Children and elderly persons.
- Potential trespassers.
- Expectant mothers.
- Local residents.

### Areas to consider

The following are examples of areas to consider:

- Type of event.
- Potential major incidents.
- · Site hazards including car parks.
- Types of attendees such as children, elderly persons and the disabled.
- Crowd control, capacity, access and egress and stewarding.

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- · Provision for the emergency services.
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# Assessing the risk

The extent of the risk arising from the hazards identified must be evaluated and existing control measures taken into account. The risk is the likelihood of the harm arising from the hazard. You should list the existing controls and assess whether or not any further controls are required. The following should be taken into account:

- Any information, instruction and training regarding the event and the activities involved.
- · Compliance with legislative standards, codes of good practice and British Standards.
- · Whether or not the existing controls have reduced the risk as far as is reasonably practicable.

# Further action necessary to control the risk

Classify risks into high, medium and low. Examples of risks falling into these categories are as follows:

High An unsecured inflatable being used in adverse weather conditions by young

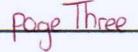
children.

Medium A display of animals in a roped off arena.

Low A mime artist performing amongst the crowd.

For each risk consider whether or not it can be eliminated completely. If it cannot, then decide what must be done to reduce it to an acceptable level. Only use personal protective equipment as a last resort when there is nothing else you can reasonably do. Consider the following:

- Removal of the hazard.
- Preventing access to the hazard e.g. by guarding dangerous parts of machinery.
- Implement procedures to reduce exposure to the hazard.



- · The use of personal protective equipment.
- Find a substitute for that activity/machine etc.

# Record the risk assessment findings

Use the attached Risk Assessment Form to record all significant hazards, the nature and extent of the risks, and the action required to control them. Keep this for future reference or use. You could also refer to other documents you may have, such as manuals, codes of practice etc.

# Review and revise

If the nature of the risks change during the planning of the event, the risk assessments will need to be reviewed and updated.

# Information

Where the risk assessment has identified significant risks, you must provide information to all those affected, regarding the nature of the risk and the control measures to be implemented.

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Hazards Identified	Persons at risk	Risk factor (High, Medium, low)	Measures required to control the risk	Actions to be taken by, name:	Date completed and signature
Road traffic Collision/fall - on Public highway between Birmingham and Burton.	1	Medium	Police / Highways informed and traffic Stops requested. Ride to be escorted by Midlands Bike Marshals. All riders reminded of Need for Correct licence, insurance & road-worthy bike Riders encouraged to Wear Hi-Vis Protective gear.		
Moring traffic at the Pirelli Stadium	Visitors	Medium	Riders escorted by Midlands Bike Marshals. Static marshals to direct Pedestrians		, Vo
Injuries, Cuts. Bruises, Sprain	1	low	Booked Gervices of St John Ambulance Plus other first- aiders will be Present at the event.		

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Hazards Identified	Persons at risk	Risk factor (High, Medium, low)	Measures required to control the risk	Actions to be taken by, name:	Date completed and signature
Trip hazardo	All	low	Stall-holders and Marshals to Control area and reduce risks		
Burns, Scalls from food kiosk Purchasers	All	low	Food kiosk entry/ exit route to be kept dear Responsibilities of Marshals and Stall holders		
Emergency Occess	All	low	All entry /exit routes to be kept Clear - Marshals to assist. Police Pre-informed of event		*
Crowd Control	All	low/ Medium	Marshals to monitor crowd numbers		

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Children - running, tripping	children others in area	Low, Medium	Responsibility of Parent/quardian at all times		
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