

Risk Assessment for Grounds Maintenance Activities OSC



Scope of Risk Assessment		This assessment covers all OSC club members, visitors and contractors anywhere on OSC property at any time												
Date of Assessment		4 th January, 2013					Last Reviewed 14 May 2025			Martin Clowes				
Assessor's Details		Assessed by Martin Clowes (OSC Committee Member) Tel: 07835 076499												
No	Description of Hazard and Expected Consequence	Potential for Harm Likelihood x Severity = Risk Level						Control Measures	Residual Risk Likelihood x Severity = Risk Level					
		L	S	Risk Level	H	M	L		L	S	Risk Level	H	M	L
1	Injuries caused by Slips, Trips and falls	3	3	9	Medium			Footwear appropriate to the ground surface, task and particular location must be worn. Buoyancy Aids (PFD's) must be worn when close to the water's edge. Working at height to be avoided where possible. Special care to be taken on slipways, pontoons and island. No lone access is allowed on the island.	2	2	4	Low		
2	Cuts and other injuries from tooling, machinery and vegetation etc.	4	5	20	High			Appropriate cut-resistant gloves to be worn when handling sharp tools. Mechanical cutting equipment belonging to OSC only to be used by those persons deemed competent to do so and following completion of Power Tools: Confirmation of Risk Assessment. Mechanical cutting equipment, whether it is owned by OSC or not, must only be used with the appropriate PPE including, where necessary, eye and hearing protection for other persons in the vicinity of the task. Consideration should be given to cordoning off the work area to discourage unauthorised access for the duration of the task. Gardening type gloves and clothing to resist cuts and scratches to be worn when working with thorny vegetation.	3	3	9	Medium		

SEVERITY		
CATEGORY	DEGREE	DESCRIPTION
1	INSIGNIFICANT	Minor injury to personnel Minor damage to equipment
2	MINOR	Injury to personnel Damage to equipment
3	REPORTABLE	Injury resulting in loss of time Moderate damage to equipment
4	MAJOR	Serious injury to personnel Major damage to equipment
5	CATASTROPHIC	Fatal /disability injury to personnel Total equipment loss

LIKELIHOOD LEVEL		
LEVEL	DESCRIPTION	INDIVIDUAL FAILURE MODE
1	REMOTE	So unlikely that occurrence may not be experienced
2	UNLIKELY	Unlikely, but possible to occur during project
3	OCCASIONAL	Likely to occur sometime during project
4	PROBABLY	Will occur several times during project
5	FREQUENTLY	Likely to occur frequently during project

SEVERITY CATEGORY	LIKELIHOOD LEVEL				
	1	2	3	4	5
5	5	10	15	20	25
4	4	8	12	16	20
3	3	6	9	12	15
2	2	4	6	8	10
1	1	2	3	4	5

ACTION CRITERIA	
12 - 25	High – Unacceptable – further assessment or action required to reduce risk to as low as reasonably practicable
5 – 10	Medium - Further assessment or action may be required if the team consider the risk not to be as low as reasonably practicable
1-4	Low - Acceptable – Adequate safeguards are in place