


Title: Waste Disposal
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RISK ASSESSMENT

Description of process:	Waste Disposal (also please refer to Outline GRA001 & Outline MS1)							
Task on which assessment is made:	Movement and disposal of waste materials							
Location:	As required							
Hazard(s) identified:	Slips, trips and falls, spillage, contamination, stabbing injury, manual handling							
Person(s) considered at risk:	CSS Pest Services staff, customer's staff, general public							
Risk rating before:	Likelihood	2	x	Severity	3	=	Risk:	6
Control Measures/Safe Work Instructions:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Waste will be collected, separated and placed in suitable containers for collection and disposal using an authorised and registered contractor. Waste transfer notes must be completed before removal and copies of these must be filed. Skips intended for combustible waste should be located 5m from neighbouring buildings. Lockable skips should be used where possible. Staff should wear appropriate PPE. If there is the risk of being injured or stabbed by sharps, staff should not handle waste but use mechanical means to lift waste. Follow company policy for correct safe dispose of waste products and materials. Materials may be assessed if there is a risk of materials that may be too heavy to lift by one person or may require lifting equipment. Dispose of waste products and/or materials appropriately to avoid environmental impact i.e. non-target species, rivers, trees etc. No waste products and/or materials to be disposed of inappropriately. 							
Typical injury:	Minor injury							
Risk rating after:	Likelihood	1	X	Severity	2	=	Risk:	2
Further control action requirement:	Site Specific Risk Assessment to be carried out before work activity begins.							
Person making assessment / carrying out review:	Name: Jason Cholerton Position: Technical Director				Signature: 			

Risk Ratings:
Likelihood

- 1.Improbable
- 2.Low
- 3.Medium
- 4.High
- 5.Near Certainty

Severity

- 1.Minor Injury
- 2.Moderate Injury
- 3.Serious
- 4.Very Serious
- 5.Fatality

Likelihood x Severity = Risk


CALCULATING THE RISK RATING

Is to be read in conjunction with the General Risk Assessment (GRA)

		Severity				
		Minor injury	Moderate injury	Serious	Very serious	Fatality
Likelihood	Improbable	1	2	3	4	5
	Low	2	4	6	8	10
	Medium	3	6	9	12	15
	High	4	8	12	16	20
	Near Certainty	5	10	15	20	25

Risk Rating

RATING BANDS (a x b)		
LOW RISK (1-6)	MEDIUM RISK (7-14)	HIGH RISK (15-25)
Continue but review periodically to ensure controls remain effective.	Continue, but implement additional reasonably practicable controls where possible and monitor regularly.	-STOP THE ACTIVITY- Identify new controls. Activity must not proceed until risks are reduced to a low or medium level.

Definition of risk:

A risk is the likelihood of the harm occurring and the severity of the harm if it does. Thus, in terms of “likelihood” there may be a hazard associated with water and drowning, but the risk can only be evaluated when the proximity of people to the water, the weather conditions, the equipment used, the people’s proficiency and many other factors are taken into account.

As for severity, a hazard associated with falling can be evaluated also in terms of the distance and therefore the degree of harm which could occur – tripping and falling on the same level rarely causes serious injury (although this is not impossible) whereas falling down a flight of stairs is quite likely to result in broken bones or worse.

Finally, the risk factor should also consider the numbers of people potentially affected. A risk faced by many people every day should be treated as a higher priority than the same degree of risk faced by one person very occasionally. A key element of the risk assessment process is the measurement of the degree of risk present – improbable, low, medium, high or near certainty – in order to decide on these priorities and accord appropriate weight to preventative measures.