

Contact with sharps and biological Hazards 068

Consequence	5	10	15	20	25
	4	8	12	16	20
	3	6	9	12	15
	2	4	6	8	10
	1	2	3	4	5
Likelihood					

- Unacceptable – Stop activity
- Tolerable – Look to improve
- Adequate – Look to improve at next review
- Acceptable – No further action / monitor

Risk Assessment:	068 Contact with sharps and biological Hazards
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L = Likelihood is the chance that a hazardous event will occur. C = Consequence is the outcome of the hazardous event. Residual risk is measured after the controls have been put in place, deemed as an acceptable R = Risk

Likelihood	1 = Very unlikely	2 = Unlikely	3 = Fairly likely	4 = Likely	5 = Very likely
Consequence	1 = Insignificant	2 = Minor	3 = Moderate	4 = Major	5 = Catastrophic

Hazard	Who can be harmed & how	Risk Rating			Control measures in place	Residual Risk		
		L	C	R		L	C	R
Contact with sharps	Any person in contact with sharps, serious injuries i.e. contamination	3	5	15	Complete visual inspection prior to undertaking the works. Evidence of needles and other sharps to be referred back to line manager for further advice. Do not touch or move sharps.	1	5	5
Contact with animal /rodent waste	Any person in contact with animal waste	3	4	12	Existing wounds to be covered with a waterproof dressing, wear suitable protective clothing to add cover. Where dust may be produced from i.e. pigeon droppings, use of minimum FFP3 respirator and disposable coveralls are advised.	1	4	4
Contact with human waste	Any person in contact with human waste	2	4	8	Use of suitable and sufficient PPE to include impervious gloves, disposable coveralls and protective eyewear. Major soiling to be reported to line manager for further advice.	1	3	3

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Contact with human blood	Any person in contact with human waste	3	5	15	Where human blood may be present i.e. dirty needles or clinical waste, do not touch or move, report back to line manager for further advice.	1	5	5
		2	5	15		1	5	5
		3	5	15		1	5	5
		4	4	16		2	4	8

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