

Use of pressure washer RA 077

Consequence	5	8	12	16	20
	4	6	9	12	15
	3	4	6	8	10
	2	3	4	5	
	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:	077 Use of pressure washer
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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
Use of pressure washer	Person undertaking the task and others in the vicinity, potential for irritation / ill health	3	3	9	Personnel trained in the use of equipment to include additional hazards presented i.e. water run-off leading to slips, trips, falls. Use of barriers as necessary to protect area of works.	2	3	6
Slips / trips / falls	Persons undertaking the task and others who may be affected. Serious injury potential.	3	4	12	Working area monitored for water run-off & uneven surfaces etc. Water run-off to be managed at works location. Closing of walkways may be required. Adequate signage in place to warn of hazard. Personnel to wear appropriate safety footwear.	2	4	8

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Interaction with members of the public	Persons undertaking the task and others who may be affected. Serious injury potential.	3	4	12	Personnel trained in safe working procedures including setting up of work locations in public places and conflict management. Any concerns are reported to line management as necessary. Lone working procedure may apply. Use of physical barriers as separation and warning signage as necessary. Use of hooded cover where necessary to protect from overspray.	2	4	8
Environmental damage	Location of works. Potential for damage to the environment and potential breach of legislation	3	4	12	Use of substances hazardous to the environment are substituted for less harmful / green substitutes SFARP. When using diesel powered equipment, consideration is to be given to diesel fumes being emitted. Do not use in a confined space unless vented to an external area. Noise to be monitored to ensure that it does not contravene action levels. Only use machinery with covers in place.	2	4	8
Work in proximity to vehicular traffic	Persons undertaking the task at risk from serious injury / fatality through collision / contact.	3	5	15	Personnel trained in safe working procedures including setting up of work locations in public places. Use of physical barriers as separation and warning signage as necessary. Full high visibility clothing (Top & Trousers) when working in traffic routes.	2	5	10