

Tiling (Generic) RA 013

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
- Adequate – Monitor for continual compliance
- Acceptable – No further action / monitor

Risk Assessment:	013 Tiling (Generic)
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Location:

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		
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Manual handling	Operatives undertaking manual handling tasks at risk of musculoskeletal injuries.	3	4	12	All persons are trained in manual handling and follow training and instruction given including use of Task, individual, load and environment (TILE) methodology. Personnel are instructed to use mechanical assistance wherever practically possible. Loads are broken down as far as is reasonably practicable and team lifting employed where necessary. Where larger or uncommon loads are involved, a specific manual handling assessment will be required. Correct storage of items taken into consideration	2	4	8
Handling / removing tiles	Person undertaking the task and others involved. Potential for cuts, lacerations & infection.	4	4	16	Use of the correct equipment to cut, scribe, remove tiles. Use of specialised equipment only to be used by competent persons or if being trained, supervised by a competent person. Always keep hands behind the material when removing. Debris to be placed in a suitable container and labelled. Use of PPE to include cut resistant gloves, long sleeved clothing and goggles when removing tiles from surface.	2	4	8

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Use of machinery	Persons using machinery, serious injury potential through drawing in / crushing etc.	3	4	12	<p>Only competent persons allowed to operate machinery or if being trained, supervised by a competent person.</p> <p>All machinery to be set up in line with manufacturers instructions ensuring that space is available to allow safe working.</p> <p>Personnel to tie back long hair and not introduce loose clothing into the working area.</p>	2	4	8
Work in restricted areas	Persons undertaking task, minor musculoskeletal injury potential	3	3	9	<p>Personnel to ensure they can take up a comfortable working position which is free from additional hazards. Set up tooling within easy reach. Task rotation where practicable / regular breaks.</p> <p>Use of knee pads when laying / removing floor tiles.</p>	2	3	6
Slips, trips and falls	Persons undertaking the task. Serious injury potential increasing due to MH activity.	4	4	16	<p>Routes and areas are checked for obstructions and availability of space or other hazards i.e. wet floor, spillages, uneven or slippery surfaces and cables etc. prior to use.</p> <p>Personnel aware of additional hazards that may lead to STF on the same level i.e. inadequate lighting, weather conditions, changes in surface etc.</p> <p>Good housekeeping standards are maintained and inspected at all times.</p> <p>Removed tiles to be removed at regular intervals, maintain clear space to undertake works.</p>	2	4	8
Use of hand tools	Persons using hand tools to undertake works, potential for cuts / lacerations etc.	3	3	9	<p>Only competent persons allowed to use hand tools or if being trained, supervised by a competent person.</p> <p>Personnel to keep hands behind the tooling (cutting edge / blade) and wear gloves suitable to the task.</p> <p>If drilling or cutting tiles, use of safety eyewear.</p> <p>Defective tooling to be removed and replaced as necessary. Keep all cutting heads sharp and protected when not in use.</p>	2	3	6

<p>Discovery of or damage to material that may contain asbestos.</p>	<p>Operatives / engineers and others who may be affected. Potential for serious long-term health problems</p>	3	4	12	<p>All personnel are trained in asbestos awareness as a minimum and follow advice given during the training.</p> <p>Prior to personnel undertaking any work where asbestos may be present, the asbestos register shall be consulted. Where this is not available, a copy is to be requested from the client. Likely locations include pipework, flues, decorative textured coatings etc.</p> <p>Personnel are not permitted to undertake any works involving asbestos containing material unless trained in the correct procedures.</p> <p>Should any person come across any suspected asbestos containing material (ACM) they must stop work immediately and inform their line manager who should arrange for the client to be informed of the situation and await further advice.</p> <p>Should any person accidentally disturb any ACM, they must stop work immediately and inform their line manager of the situation. They will then complete the decontamination procedure as outlined in training and await further advice.</p> <p>Should an incident occur in an occupied premise, they shall close off the area without alarming the occupier. All clothing is to be removed and bagged as hazardous waste. Where possible the operative is to shower to remove any fibres, where this is not possible, they will wipe themselves down with a damp rag which is to be placed in the same bag as the contaminated clothing as per training given & in line with EM7 / EM8 asbestos essentials.</p> <p>Any operative involved in an incident is to complete an accident / incident report form, following this they will be given further advice about informing their GP of the suspected contact with an ACM.</p> <p>The company shall arrange through their client for an air test to be undertaken together with an analysis of the suspected ACM.</p> <p>All incident involving suspected contact or release of fibres shall be thoroughly investigated by the company with a file of the incident placed in the accident / incident folder which is maintained at head office.</p>	2	4	8
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Working in WC / wet rooms etc.	Persons undertaking the task. Potential for biological infection / illness.	3	4	12	Area checked prior to work commencing. Use of additional PPE to include impervious gloves, full eye protection and disposable coveralls. Operatives cover any open wounds with waterproof dressings. Operatives instructed in personal hygiene and decontamination procedures.	2	4	8
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