

GENERAL HEALTH & SAFETY RISK ASSESSMENT FOR:

ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS



**St Ralph
Sherwin**
Catholic Multi Academy Trust

Working in partnership with:



PART 1 : ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Section/Establishment Name:

Date of Assessment

Date of Issue

Assessment carried out by

Signature

L. O'Leary

Reviews

Review Date
21.08.23

Reviewed by
Laura O'Leary

Date
21.08.23

Changes Made

Y

No changes

Affected persons:

Young People/Clients

Staff

Visitors

Contractor

Others (specify)

Name of Manager confirming and agreeing Assessment:

Signature:

The following sections should be completed by all staff who need to be made aware of and abide by the findings of the Risk Assessment. NB: If, as a result of a review, changes are made to the Risk Assessment the relevant box on the attached page should be completed as appropriate by the staff concerned.

RISK ASSESSMENT

I confirm that I am aware of and understand the findings of the Risk Assessment and agree to ensure that I will work to the stated Control Measures and bring to the attention

of Management any deficiencies in the findings of the Assessment.

Print Name	Signature	Date	Print Name	Signature	Date

RISK ASSESSMENT

What are the hazards?	Generic Control Measures	✓ X	Person to implement	Additional Control Measures needed to reduce risk to an acceptable level	Person to implement	Date to be actioned
Ice & Snow	<p>At least one designated access / egress route is gritted and cleared before start of day.</p> <p>All people accessing the building are made fully aware of cleared route.</p> <p>An appropriate gritting / clearing schedule is established setting out routes to be dealt with first, which second etc. based on priority of use.</p> <p>Areas are re-gritted throughout the day and evening as necessary depending on weather conditions and opening hours.</p> <p>Car parking areas are gritted and cleared or closed.</p> <p>Information and instruction on the above schedule given to all operatives.</p> <p>Access to areas which have not been gritted / cleared is restricted.</p> <p>Headteacher/Manager will decide if play areas can be accessed following fresh snow based on depth of snow, layout and slope of play area and clothing / footwear of pupils/young people.</p> <p>Staff who are required to routinely work outside are provided with appropriate personal protective equipment (detailed opposite)</p>			➤		
Manual handling injuries whilst gritting / removing snow.	<p>A device (barrow, trolley or similar) for transporting grit to desired destination, is provided.</p> <p>Strong, slip resistant footwear to be worn by operatives.</p> <p>A manual handling assessment of the operation is carried out and findings communicated to all relevant persons.</p> <p>Operatives are provided with appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (eg. Boots, coat, gloves, etc.)</p> <p>Suitable proprietary gritting device is provided for gritting large areas (eg. Barrow with grit spreading device attached)</p>			➤		
Extreme heat/sun	<p>Outdoor activities planned to avoid the hottest / sunniest parts of the day, particularly where these involve physical activity (eg sports days)</p> <p>Any available shade is utilised.</p> <p>Shades, e.g. gazebos where appropriate to be erected where necessary.</p>			➤		

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Extreme heat (cont.)	<p>Staff, pupils and young people given advice regarding wearing long sleeved, loose fitting clothing and hats which offer face and neck protection.</p> <p>Use of sunblocks/sunscreens encouraged as per issued guidance.</p> <p>Stock of spray on type suncream kept for use if necessary and parental permission to use this obtained.</p> <p>Provision made for staff and pupils/young people to take liquids when required throughout the day, including during activities and lessons.</p> <p>For indoor areas adequate ventilation is maintained to provide a comfortable temperature.</p> <p>Regular breaks for staff carrying out physical operations in high temperatures scheduled in.</p> <p>Measures to reduce temperatures in rooms known to become excessively hot are in place.</p>			➤		
Strong winds	<p>Access to areas where there is a possibility of items being blown into the area (e.g. playgrounds with large trees adjacent to them) is restricted during periods of high wind.</p> <p>Work at height or use of ladders, steps and scaffold towers in high winds, not undertaken.</p> <p>Large flat objects which could act like sails in high winds are not carried in these conditions.</p> <p>Doors, windows and gates known to be affected by high winds (i.e. prone to slam shut) will be appropriately secured (NB this must not hinder fire escape if the doors are designated fire exit doors).</p> <p>Areas with overhanging branches or with large trees adjacent to them inspected for obvious signs of damage following strong winds before they are used. If there are any concerns, areas are not to be used until professional advice has been obtained.</p>			➤		
Heavy rain	<p>Adequate precautions are taken to ensure safety if leaks are identified i.e., mop up wet floors, appropriate signage of wet areas and barriers where necessary.</p>			➤		

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Heavy rain (cont.)	Any electrics affected by leaking water isolated until checked (and repaired as necessary) by a competent electrician and declared safe. Areas where leaks are occurring will be identified to be appropriately repaired.			➤		
	Soak aways regularly checked for blockages, i.e., leaves etc.					
	Access to areas known to become slippery when wet restricted.					
	Access to any flooded areas restricted.					
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