

Reception Classroom and Outdoor Area Risk Assessment

2019 / 2020

Suitable Premises, Environment and Equipment Risk Assessment

Risk Assessment Title	Outdoor and indoor spaces, furniture, equipment toys to comply with sections of EYFS
Date of Risk Assessment	January 2020
Risk Assessment Completed by	EYFS Team

- a hazard is anything that may cause harm, such as chemicals, electricity, working from ladders, an open drawer etc;
- the *risk* is the chance, high or low, that somebody could be harmed by these and other hazards, together with an indication of how serious the harm could be.

ALL ROOMS

What are the Hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	What are you already doing?	What further action is necessary	Action by who?	Action by when?	Completed
Injury from electric sockets	Children + Adults Electrical shock	Electric sockets checked by site manger	Daily room checks, children told not to touch them ever.	T/TA	Daily	
Trapping hazard from hinges on doors	Children + Adults Physical injury	Finger guards are fitted	Children informed of correct way of opening doors and not to put hands near hinges	T/TA	Daily	
Inadequate fire signage	Children + Adults Personal safety	Ensuring adequate signage and regular evacuation practices	Continue with evacuation practices and inform site manager if signage unclear/damage/need replacing	T/TA	Daily	
Tripping / slipping	Children + Adults Physical injury	Flooring checked regularly and issues reported to site manager	Tears, rips or uneven flooring to be reported to site manager	T/TA	Daily	
Ineffective heating / ventilation	Children + Adults Unhygienic	Monitor heating and level of ventilation	Inform site manager of any problems r concerns	T/TA	Daily	
Tripping / injury due to trailing wires and cables	Children + Adults Physical injury	Cables and wires are secured/safely stored	Checks to be made regularly to ensure there is no tripping hazard	T/TA	Daily	

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Insecure entrance door	Children + Adults Personal safety	Door kept shut/secure at all times and checked regularly	Regular checks to ensure door is secure	T/TA	Daily	
Injury from electric sockets	Children + Adults Electrical shock	Electric sockets checked by site manger	Daily room checks, children told not to touch them ever.	T/TA	Regularly	
Trapping hazard from doors	Children + Adults Physical injury	Adults to open and shut doors Finger Protector Hinge Guard Cover Door stops to main rooms	Children to be told not to open or shut main doors in classrooms and with access to outside	T/TA	Regularly	
Tripping / slipping	Children + Adults Physical injury	Daily checks of flooring Rips in carpets, mats. Issues reported to site manager. Reminding children to be aware	Tears, rips or uneven flooring to be reported to site manager. Wet floors reported to site manager immediately as well as blocking access for children and adults.	T/TA	Regularly	
Ineffective heating / ventilation	Children + Adults Unhygienic	Monitor heating and level of ventilation	Inform site manager of any problems or concerns. Add ventilation by opening windows as required	T/TA	Daily	
Coat pegs	Children + Adults Physical injury	Ensure children hang PE bags and coats on their own peg. Ensure any coats that fall on the floor are picked up. Children are reminded to take turns whilst reaching for their	Adults check the areas frequently for any items that may have fallen on the floor	T/TA	Various times a day	

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Exits/doors impeded by toys / resources	Children + Adults Fire hazard	Keep the exits as clear as possible	Children made aware of need to keep exits clear and safe	T/TA	Daily	
Toys left on floor	Children + Adults Tripping hazard	Children are encouraged to put toys they have been using away when they have finished with them	Adults to regularly check area for toys on floor in the thoroughfare	T/TA	Various times a day	
Sockets covered	Children + Adults Electrical shock	Electric sockets checked by site manger	Daily room checks, children told not to touch them ever.	T/TA	Regularl y	
Gate to snack area	Children + Adults Personal safety Trapping hazard	Adults to open and close gates at beginning and end of sessions	Children made aware that they are not to open or close gates	T/TA	Various times a day	
Tripping / slipping	Children + Adults Tripping hazard	Daily checks of flooring and issues reported to site manager	Tears, rips or uneven flooring to be reported to site manager	T/TA	Daily	
Tripping / injury due to trailing wires and cables	Children + Adults Tripping hazard	Ensure cables are safely secured and out of reach	Daily checks. Reinforce message that children are not t touch cables	T/TA	Daily	
Chairs	Children + Adults Tripping hazard	Children are encouraged to put push chairs in and sit appropriately on them	Remind children to push chairs in and not to tip and balance on them when sitting.	T/TA	Various times a day	
Scissors and other sharp tools and equipment	Children + Adults Physical injury	All stored in allocated pots or drawers	Remind children of correct storage handle of tools when walking with them	T/TA	Various times a day	

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Slipping injury due to sand/water/paint or play dough on floor	Children + Adults Physical injury	All spillages are swept/mopped up as soon as they occur	Checks to be made regularly to ensure there is no slipping hazard	T/TA	Various times a day
Unsuitable storage of equipment not accessed by children	Children + Adults Physical injury	Equipment stored safely in boxes or cupboards	Checks to make sure equipment is safely stored and not at height	T/TA	Regularly
Unhygienic use of sand and water	Children + Adults Unhygienic	Water changed weekly and sand regularly and checked for sharp/foreign objects, containers cleaned regularly	Children to be informed of the need for hygiene procedures such as washing hands Children encouraged to be responsible for own cleanliness	T/TA	Daily
Insecure door	Children + Adults Personal safety	Door kept shut/secure at all times and checked regularly	Problems with locks/security to be reported to site manager	T/TA	Various times a day
Poor Cleanliness of fabrics and cushions	Children + Adults	Covers washed regularly	Covers to be replaced when worn out/ripped	T/TA	Regularly
Protruding objects at eye level	Children + Adults Physical injury	Checks made to identify hazards	Check to be done daily as part of daily assessment and hazard removed	T/TA	Daily
Sharp edges / corners	Children + Adults Physical injury	Children made aware of edges and corners on tables, storage units	Check to be done daily as part of daily assessment and hazard removed	T/TA	Daily

	Reception Creative Area						
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Sand on floor	Children + Adults Slipping hazard , physical injury	Floor swept regularly , sand sieved for any foreign/hazardous objects- sand not returned to container after spillage	Change the sand regularly and clean the container Children to be encouraged to be aware of safety around sand	T/TA	Daily		
Water on floor	Children + Adults Slipping hazard , physical injury	Floor mopped as excess spillage occurs	Children to be encouraged to be aware of safety around sand	T/TA	Daily		
Scissors	Children + Adults Physical injury	Children are shown safe ways to handle and store scissors and usually under supervision when in area	Staff encourage safe storage and scissors checked that they are fit for purpose	T/TA	Daily		
Tools	Children + Adults Physical injury	Children are shown safe ways to handle and store tools and usually under supervision when in area	Staff encourage safe storage and tools checked that they are fit for purpose	T/TA	Daily		
Unhygienic surfaces	Children + Adults Disease/illness	Surfaces are cleaned regularly and sprayed with anti-bacterial spray before a new activity/food activities	Staff ensure art table is clean after every transition	T/TA	Daily		

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Electrical appliances	Children + Adults Electrical shock	Appliances to be safely stored and checked on a regular basis and pat tested	Children to be supervised at all times in snack areas and not to use electrical appliances	T/TA	Daily	
Cooking utensils	Children + Adults Physical injury	Utensils to be stored safely in drawers or cupboards	Children to be supervised at all times in kitchen areas and not expected to find/get utensils from drawers/cupboards	T/TA	Daily	
Unhygienic/ dirty equipment	Children + Adults Unhygienic	Children informed of correct use of equipment and it's changed/cleaned regularly	Equipment to be replaced when damaged	T/TA	Various times a day	
Fridge (correct storage of food, in date etc.)	Children + Adults Ill health	Food/drinks to be correctly store in fridge	Food/drinks to be checked regularly	T/TA	Daily	
Fridge	Children + Adults Physical injury	Adults have modelled to children how to access the fridge in need be	Children informed of correct way of opening door and not to put hands near hinges	T/TA	Daily	
Use and storage of cleaning materials / other substances	Children + Adults Poisoning, eye contamination, skin irritation	All cleaning materials to be stored in cupboards and not left out on unit tops	Children to be supervised at all times in kitchen areas	T/TA	Daily	
Unhygienic surfaces	Children + Adults Disease/illness	Surfaces are cleaned regularly and sprayed with anti-bacterial spray before a new activity/food activities	Staff ensure snack table is clean after every transition	T/TA	Daily	
Milk in fridge Reviewed January 2020	Children + Adults Physical injury	Morning checks for milk out of date or leaking bottles	TA organises and checks milk for children	T/TA Author	Daily Amy Lawr	0

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Gates , locks and hinges	Children + Adults Trapping hazard , physical injury	Gates , hinges and locks checked daily by site manager	Children to be supervised outside at all times and encouraged to stay away from gates	T/TA	Daily	
Poor condition of tarmac surfaces	Children + Adults Tripping hazard	Surfaces regularly checked	Surfaces to be cleared and checked and issues reported	T/TA	Regularly	
Grassed area swept for unwanted objects, broken glass, animal faeces , small holes etc.	Children + Adults Tripping hazard , physical injury	Checks of grassed areas carried out daily	Children to be supervised outside at all times and grassed areas maintained in good condition	T/TA	Daily	
Poor maintenance of garden furniture	Children + Adults Physical injury	Garden furniture condition checked on regular basis	Condition checked and maintenance issues reported to site manager	T/TA	Regularly	
Location of garden furniture	Children + Adults Tripping , falling hazard , physical injury	Play equipment stored safely and checked on a regular basis	Safe location of equipment to be considered	T/TA	Regularly	
Sand pits	Children + Adults Physical injury Hygiene	Sand changed on regular basis and checked for sharp/foreign objects Children encouraged to wash hands after playing in sandpit	Children to be supervised outside at all times and continued to be informed of the need for hygiene procedures after use	T/TA	Daily	
Water containers	Children + Adults Hygiene Physical injury	Water in container to be changed regularly and container checked for sharp/foreign objects before use	Children to be supervised outside at all times and continued to be informed of the need for hygiene procedures after use	T/TA	Daily	
Storage of outside tools and equipment	Children + Adults Tripping hazard Physical injury	Maintenance of play shed to be checked regularly, equipment and tools stored safely within it Equipment to be stored safely in storage shed and children to have no access to it	Children to be made continually aware of hazards within play shed and to be reminded that they are not allowed into storage shed	T/TA	Daily	
Big blue play house Reviewed January 2020	Children + Adults Physical injury	Tools and equipment to be stored safely. Children always supervised when in the house	Ensure children shown and reminded about correct use of only 2 children upstairs	T/TA Author	Daily Amy Lawr	0
Plants	Children + Adults	Checks to be made regularly on plants growing in outside areas	Children told not to touch plants	T/TA	Regularly	

Deconstructed Role play Area equipment	Children + Adults Tripping hazard , physical injury	There is adequate space to move around the den building. Equipment is checked regularly. Weather conditions are monitored and acted upon.	Children's behaviour to be monitored closely and children have the safe use of equipment explain regularly.	T/TA	Daily
Big wooden pirate ship climbing frame	Children and Adults Tripping hazard , physical injury	Weather conditions are monitored and acted upon. There is adequate space to move around freely.	Children's behaviour is managed inline with schools policy.	T/TA	Daily
Bikes and scooters	Children and Adults , physical injury	Ensure children are riding the bikes safely and all in the same direction. Children to be aware of other children on marked road area around climbing frame. Only one child at a time on a scooter or bike.	Other children encouraged to be aware of children on bikes and scooters. Scooters or bikes never going too fast.	T/TA	Daily
'Woody Den' Mud Kitchen/ Digging area	Children and Adults Tripping hazard , physical injury. Children move logs and branches around to make dens and shelters	Ensure children are always wearing welly boots when in the area. Swap shoes with welly boots in cloakroom area. Tuck under peg to avoid tripping over them. Ensure children use digging equipment safely.	Equipment checked prior to and during use for wear and tear Children's behaviour is managed in line with schools policy. Area checked for fox poobefore children are allowed in to explore.	T/TA	Daily
Builders Area	Children and Adults Tripping hazard , physical injury	Children to use equipment safely and in area designated. Not to build towers of bricks too high Children to play with pebbles safely Take care whilst building and creating with crates.	Children are aware of the expectations of how to use the equipment safely.	T/TA	Daily
Wooden/ plastic poles and planks	Children and Adults Tripping hazard , physical injury	Weather conditions monitors and acted upon. The resource is children prior to and during use for wear and	Children discourages from carrying poles /planks horizontally. Children to play with the poles in designated	T/TA	Daily
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	Toilets								
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Injury from unregulated water temperature when hot water taps are on for any length of time	Children + Adults Scalding/burning	Automatic push taps that turn off after time Children made aware of need for taps to go off	Checks to be made that taps are off	T/TA identified on rota	Regularly				
Use and storage of cleaning materials / other substances	Children + Adults Poisoning, eye contamination, skin irritation	All cleaning materials stored in locked cupboards	Ensure children are informed not to touch any that have been accidentally left out and inform an adult	T/TA identified on rota	Daily				
Soap /water spills	Children + Adults Slipping	Soap on sinks and picked up as soon as on floor , excessive water spills mopped up	Regular checks of toilet areas and large groups of children to be supervised when in there	T/TA identified on rota	Daily				
Hand drier	Children + Adults Scalding/burning	Hand drier on a timer and children shown correct way of using it	Regular check of temperature of drier and any issues reported to site manager	T/TA identified on rota	Daily				