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RISK ASSESSMENT URBAN GRASS CUTTING

Document to be referred to and updated regularly.

The Grounds Staff are required to make on site risk assessments upon arrival of given tasks, any findings to be added to this list.

How to use this document;

HAZARD: Note the hazards found within an area you are working or during an activity or job being carried out.

RISK: Potential risk of hazard.

LEVEL OF RISK: On a scale of low, medium and high, put what you feel shows the level of risk the hazard could present.

SOLUTION: Note the way to solve/fix the risk of hazard.

Appropriate P.P.E to be worn at all times while working: hi-visibility trousers, hi-visibility long sleeve vest, eye protection, ear protection, safety helmet/face guard, boots, gloves.



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HAZARD	RISK	LEVEL OF RISK	SOLUTION
Using hand tools	Potential risk of injury to user	low	Training/instruction in use of tools
Trimming hedges	Risk of injury to persons hands	low	Wearing of proper PPE
Working on or near roads	Live traffic	high	Wearing of Hi-Visibility clothing. Turn on vehicle roof beacons
Working in adverse weather	Risk of illness due to exposure to extreme cold or wet, risk also in extreme heat (eg. dehydration)	medium	Proper clothing/uniform to suit varying types of weather. Regular water breaks to be taken in high heat. In heavy rain conditions, where duties are affected, breaks to dry off to be taken, new tasks undertaken if current task cannot be completed. In cold weather, breaks to warm up to be taken to ensure health of Grounds staff.
Driving	Risk of road accidents	high	Full and valid UK driving licence. Insurance. Regular vehicle safety checks.
Clearing up glass	Risk of being cut	medium	Wearing of PPE. Glass put in a secure disposal bin
Removal of dog faeces	Risk of infection	medium	Wearing of PPE
Use of cones	Trip risk to public	medium	Ensure area of work is well cordoned off and warning signs placed
Excessive noise	Damage to hearing and members of public's hearing	medium	Use of PPE ear defenders and in built up areas keeping noise to a minimum
Unleashed pets in parks/fields (eg dogs)	Risk of being bitten	low	Ask owner to leash pet and keep distance.
Working on highway	Risk to myself and public	high	NRSWA training taken, use of proper cones and signs and guarding.

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