

## Health and Safety Risk Assessment for Canalside Work Mornings

**(specifically relating to work morning tasks – for more detail on risks during social time on the wider site, see risk assessment for members' socials)**

Severity rating	Likelihood rating	Risk severity
<b>5</b> Death/permanent disability <b>4</b> Serious injury/long term sickness <b>3</b> Temporary disability – 3-day absence <b>2</b> Required medical attention <b>1</b> Minor injury e.g. bruise, graze	<b>5</b> Will most certainly happen <b>4</b> Highly likely to happen <b>3</b> Possible <b>2</b> Might/less likely <b>1</b> Remote possibility	<b>Factor Risk assessment</b> 16-25 Unacceptable! Requires immediate action. 10-15 A high priority for action 6-9 Medium – do something as soon as possible. 3-5 Low priority – examine the practicality of change 1-2 Low risk – no further action required

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Lifting injury	Children and adults (C&A)	2	2	4	Raise members' awareness of the hazards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Advice</b> if lifting is required as part of task – lift full crates in pairs, lift smaller loads, bend knees, back straight, keep load close to your body.</li> </ul>	Grower(s)	At start of and during event	
					Provide suitable equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Provide wheelbarrow / cart / trailer</b> for moving heavy loads</li> </ul>			

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Hand tools – injury from using them	C&A	2	2	4	Monitor use of tools by members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Demonstrate</b> how to use less common tools</li> <li>• <b>Monitor</b> and guide anyone who is using tools incorrectly</li> </ul>	Grower(s)	At start of and during event	
Weeds and brash – thorns, thistles, nettles: prickles and stings	C&A	1	3	3	Provide suitable equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Provide gloves</b></li> <li>• <b>Provide goggles</b> if handling large thorny branches</li> </ul>	Grower(s)	At start of and during event	
					Raise awareness of the hazards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Advice</b> to wear long sleeves</li> <li>• <b>Advice</b> to wear sturdy boots</li> </ul>			
Tractor – running over/impact	C&A	4	1	4	Ensure correct training for tractor drivers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tractors only driven by suitably qualified personnel</li> </ul>	Grower(s)	During event	
					No farm vehicles moving in visit area where possible; essential movement done at low speeds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plan tasks to minimise vehicle movements during work morning</li> <li>• Use low speeds for essential movement</li> </ul>			
Manure – infection	C&A	3	1	3	Provide suitable equipment/materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Provide gloves</b></li> <li>• <b>Clean running water and soap</b> provided at hand wash station</li> </ul>	Grower(s)	During event	

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					Raise members' awareness of the hazards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Advise</b> members to wash hands with soap after activity and ask parents to insist children do the same</li> </ul>	Grower(s)	During event	
Climbing on straw bales and machinery - falling	C&A	3	1	3	Raise children's & adults' awareness of the hazards.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Ask parents/carers</b> not to let their children climb on machinery or straw bales</li> </ul>	Administrator Grower(s)	Prior to event During event	
Weather – being outside in sunshine may lead to sunburn, sunstroke or dehydration; extreme cold may lead to hypothermia	C&A	3	2	6	Members being prepared for weather	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Members informed</b> beforehand of the need to wear sensible outdoor clothing and sun protection including hats and sun cream and/or warm clothing as appropriate</li> </ul>	Administrator (Ali)	Prior to event	
					Reduce exposure to acceptable limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Ensure there is an adequate supply of water</b> to prevent dehydration and that everyone is encouraged to take rests and hot/cold drinks. Provide shaded rest area in the pole barn.</li> </ul>	Grower(s)	During event	

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