

RISK ASSESSMENT

Sherburn Visiting Scheme

Task/ Process : Exposure to Weather Conditions

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People at Risk : Staff & Volunteers, Service Users, Members of the public

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Next Review due: 01/11/2026

PPE Requirements

Overall control measures

Staff and volunteers are trained in Health and Safety
 Staff and volunteers are trained in Basic First Aid
 Contact with emergency services is always available if needed

Ref:	Hazard	Risk	Persons involved	Industry best practice/guidance	Control measures	Adequate ? Y/N	Action Required	By (date)	Completed (date)
1.1	Injury resulting from contact extreme hot weather	Minor, Moderate or Serious burns to hands, wrists, forearms and legs Dehydration, Heat Stroke, Heat Exhaustion	Staff and volunteers, Service users	Health & Safety at Work Act 1974 Health & Safety (First Aid) Regulations 1981 Management of Health & Safety at Work Regulations 1999	1. Always ensure a First Aid Kit is accessible for trips and outings (which contains foil blankets) 2. Make arrangements for prolonged exposure to hot weather (ie, sun cream available, and plenty of water to keep hydrated) 3. Make sure emergency services can be contacted at all times if needed. 4. If on a trip or outing, make sure there are	Y Y Y Y	NONE NONE NONE NONE		

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					plenty of rest areas with effective shaded cover.				
1.2	Injury resulting from contact extreme cold weather	Minor, Moderate or Serious Frostbite and Hypothermia	Staff and volunteers, Service users	Health & Safety at Work Act 1974 Health & Safety (First Aid) Regulations 1981 Management of Health & Safety at Work Regulations 1999	1. Always ensure a First Aid Kit is accessible for trips and outings (which contains foil blankets) 2. Make arrangements for prolonged exposure to cold conditions (ie, plenty of warm clothing, hats and gloves, warm blankets) 3. Make sure emergency services can be contacted at all times if needed. 4. If on a trip or outing, make sure there are plenty of warm areas to rest.	Y Y Y Y	NONE NONE NONE NONE		
1.3	Injury resulting from contact extreme stormy weather	Minor, Moderate or Serious injury from falls. Head trauma, cuts and abrasions, Musculo skeletal injuries	Staff and volunteers, Service Users	Health & Safety at Work Act 1974 Health & Safety (First Aid) Regulations 1981 Management of Health & Safety at Work Regulations 1999	1. If outside, move to a covered and secure area with access to warmth, food and drink 2. If planning an activity outside, change activity to something inside if possible or cancel and re-arrange	Y Y	NONE NONE		

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1.4	Injury caused by slips and trips when entering and exiting a building	Minor, Moderate, or Serious Injuries. Head trauma, cuts and abrasions, Musculo skeletal injuries	Staff and volunteers, Service Users	Health & Safety at Work Act 1974 Management of Health & Safety at Work Regulations 1999	1. Pay particular attention to the flooring in wet weather. 2. Pay attention to flooring inside a building (public or private residence). Make sure to not trip over any wet flooring or raised carpet/vinyl.	Y Y	NONE NONE		
1.5	Injury caused by slips and trips entering and exiting a vehicle	Minor, Moderate, or Serious Injuries. Head trauma, cuts and abrasions, Musculo skeletal injuries	Staff and volunteers, Service Users, Members of the public	Health & Safety at Work Act 1974 Management of Health & Safety at Work Regulations 1999	1. Pre-use checks to be completed by the driver/vehicle inspector prior to use paying particular attention to the steps and grab handle bars 2. Ensure members of the public are not close the vehicle when service users are entering or exiting a vehicle 3. Pay particular attention to the boarding step in wet weather. Ensure this is completely dry before use. 4. Ensure proper moving & handling protocol is followed when assisting service users on-boarding and off-boarding	Y Y Y	NONE NONE NONE		

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					5. Make sure passengers do not rush getting on or off the vehicle	Y	NONE		
					6. Only one passenger at a time	Y	NONE		
					7. A safe area is to be identified for passengers to wait whilst other passengers get on or off the vehicle.	Y	NONE		
1.6	Injury caused by shopping, walking aids, bags, coats and other items striking others	Minor, Moderate, or Serious Injuries. Head trauma, Eye trauma, cuts and abrasions, Musculo skeletal injuries	Staff and volunteers, Service Users, Members of the public	Health & Safety at Work Act 1974 Management of Health & Safety at Work Regulations 1999	1. Ensure personal items are secure. 2. Umbrellas are not to be used in stormy or windy weather. 3. Ensure First Aid kit is accessible at all times.	Y Y Y	NONE NONE NONE		
1.7	Injury caused by visual impairment of blinding sunlight or driving rain	Minor, Moderate, or Serious Injuries. Head trauma, cuts and abrasions, Musculo skeletal injuries	Staff and volunteers, Service Users, Members of the public	Health & Safety at Work Act 1974 Management of Health & Safety at Work Regulations 1999	1. Ensure everyone can see clearly when walking outside. If anyone is not able to see clearly, they are guided by other persons.	Y	NONE		

This risk assessment will be monitored and reviewed annually to ensure the welfare of all persons is continually promoted in the organisation.

NB You should always review your risk assessment as soon as possible once you think it may no longer be valid (eg something has changed within the organisation, or an accident has occurred).

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SVS policies are reviewed in line with the Policy Document Log and their effectiveness is measured during day to day monitoring of SVS operations. Any changes are made and communicated as necessary.