

Risk Assessment – Car Washing for fundraising

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1	Mixing car wash solution	Getting it in our eyes/mouth, dermatitis	Adults	M	H	H	Appropriate PPE in form of gloves. Read instructions on bottle. Staff to dry their hands thoroughly after washing cars and use skin barrier cream if necessary.	A
2	Car pulling onto forecourt	Vehicle/pedestrian collision	Adults	H	L	H	Adult to direct the cars into parking bays and to assist with reversing if required ensuring area is free from other pedestrians. Where possible ensure one parking bay space between vehicles is maintained at all times. All participants to wear hi-vis jackets. All occupants of the car are to exit the vehicle prior to car washing commencing. Cars are to remain locked during car washing and staff are not to move vehicles that do not belong to the participants.	A
3	Lifting the buckets	Manual handling	Adults	M	L	M	Staff to ensure they are aware of their own lifting capabilities and that buckets are not too full to lift. Ensure that travel distance with buckets is kept to a minimum.	A

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4	Lifting the buckets	Spilling the water	Adults	L	M	M	<p>Buckets used to negate the trip risks associated with hosepipes. Make sure buckets are not too full.</p> <p>Mop up any spilt water indoors asap.</p> <p>Spilt water cannot be avoided during this activity however be aware of icy conditions and use sand/grit if appropriate.</p>	A	
5	Environmental Impact	Car wash fluid going down the drain	Environment	M	M	M	Use a cleaning solution that is environmentally approved.	U	
6	Car washing	Damage to third party vehicle	Adults	M	L	L	<p>Activity is covered under liability insurance. Ensure that any sponges that are dropped on the floor are thoroughly rinsed prior to use again.</p> <p>Be aware of any damage to vehicles prior to undertaking car washing.</p>		

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7	Overexertion, illnesses or pre-existing conditions	Worsening of condition or injury, overexertion	Person with condition, car washing	H	L	M	<p>Consider activities to be undertaken, duration of activity and the opportunity for rest breaks. Any activity or any of the above likely to cause exacerbation of existing injury or condition should be avoided.</p> <p>An individual risk assessment must be carried out by the Nursery Manager and individual prior, when any concerns should be raised and documented.</p> <p>If it is anticipated that inclusion in this activity may lead to the worsening of an existing injury/condition it may result in it being necessary to request another person to undertake.</p> <p>Adequate breaks must be taken by those not suffering from existing conditions to ensure that they do not overexert themselves or cause themselves an injury.</p>	U	

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8	Car washing	Weather and temperature extremes, working in wet clothes	Adults	M	L	L	Ensure that personal thermal comfort is maintained. Protective sun cream is worn during the summer months (in accordance with the H&S manual – s6.3 Sun Safety Policy). Car washing should be done in the shade wherever possible. Ensure that wet weather gear is worn or that participants have additional clothing to change into. Take frequent breaks to cool down in warm situations or warm up in cold situations e.g. have a hot drink	A	
9	Car washing	Electrocution	Adults	H	L	M	No electrical items are to be used outdoors. Participants are to thoroughly dry their hands prior to using electrical equipment or turning on lights indoors.		

Key to result: T=Trivial risk A=Adequately controlled N=Not adequately controlled U=Unable to decide, further information required

Risk Rating: Once the likelihood and severity have been determined, the risk can be calculated below (AxB)			
	Likelihood (B)		
Possible Severity (A)	L	M	H
Low	Low	Low	Medium
Medium	Low	Medium	High
High	Medium	High	High