

**RISK ASSESSMENT FINDINGS**

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| **Department/Service** |  |
| **Date** |  |
| **Assessor** |  |
| **Approved By** |  |
| **Review Date** |  |

**Relevant Legislation:**

The Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999

**RISK ASSESSMENT RECORD**

**ACTIVITY and/or ENVIRONMENT TO BE ASSESSED: Latex Allergy**

**DATE:**

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| **KEY (People at risk)** | **Likelihood (L)** | **Severity (S)** | **Risk Calculation** | **Risk Rating** |
| E = Employee YP = Young PersonsP = Public C = ContractorsV = VisitorsEM = Expectant Mothers | 1. Very Low (rare/very unlikely)2. Low (unlikely)3. Medium (could occur/possible)4. High (likely to occur/probable)5. Very High (near certain to occur)  | 1. Insignificant (nuisance/discomfort)2. Minor (no lost time)3. Moderate (time loss)4. Significant (serious/incapacity to work)5. Major (Death) |  Likelihood x Severity=Rating | **1- 6** **LOW RISK** Monitor * 1. **MEDIUM RISK** Monitor, review & reduce risk where possible

**14-25** **HIGH RISK** Further Action Required |

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| **1.Hazards Identified and potential harm it could cause** | **2. People****At Risk** | **3.Controls in Place** | **4.Risk Rating** | **5. Further Action Required/ Recommendations** | **6.Target Date for Completion** |
| **L** | **S** | **Score** | **Risk** |

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| Protein in rubber can cause an allergic reaction Symptoms include:* Itchy skin irritation
* Watery eyes
* Runny nose
* Sneezing
* Coughing
* Rashes
* Tight chest/ wheezing
* Shock
* Dizziness
 |  | * Consultation with GP (person will probably be seeing a hospital consultant as well)
* Information on persons medical file /personal file
* Information from person affected – how to manage the condition / what to avoid
* Provision of non-latex gloves in medical / first aid rooms and other facilities
* If allergy is severe person may carry an epi-pen other medication (is there a training need for colleagues / supervisors / teachers etc. in case of emergencies/ severe cases)
* Adequate first aid arrangements with specific training around anaphylaxis (severe allergic reactions)
* Emergency procedures if the reaction is severe
 |  |  |  |  | Health Care PlanLook around the environment for products that may contain latex e.g.:* Balloons
* Rubber toys – e.g. balls
* Bottle nipples – e.g. science laboratories
* Rubber bands
* Adhesive tape
* Compression type bandages
* Sanitary pads
* Condoms
* Certain gloves used for medical care
* Catheters
* Rubberised PE matting – needs checking
* Certain seating covering

Can suitable alternatives be sourced/used? |  |
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