

EAGLES COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (ECF) /VERTU ARENA (VA)
01RA GENERAL HEALTH AND SAFETY RISK ASSESSMENT
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This general risk assessment applies to all events held at the Vertu Arena and identifies foreseeable hazards associated with the planning, load-in/build, operation and load-out/breakdown of events.

It provides the overarching health and safety controls applicable across events. Each event must also be considered individually. Where an event introduces additional or unusual hazards, activities, equipment, temporary structures, special effects or other risks not adequately covered by this assessment, suitable event-specific risk assessments, RAMS and/or an Event Safety Management Plan must be provided and reviewed before the event takes place.

This assessment should be read alongside the venue Emergency Action Plan, Fire Risk Assessment, relevant event documentation, contractor RAMS and other applicable venue procedures.

In preparing this assessment, consideration has been given to relevant HSE event guidance, the Guide to Safety at Sports Grounds (Green Guide), event safety management guidance, observations from numerous venue visits and events (including load-in and load-out), and consultation with staff. Existing controls have been considered and further actions identified where required.

The assessment will be reviewed following significant changes to the venue, event activities, equipment or working arrangements; following a significant accident, incident or near miss; where relevant guidance or legislation changes; or at the stated review date.

****This risk assessment will also be reviewed following any relevant changes to legislation, guidance, company policy or operational arrangements**

DESCRIPTION
GENERAL ARENA RISK ASSESSMENT FOR EVENTS

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WHAT ARE THE HAZARDS?	WHO MIGHT BE HARMED AND HOW?	CONTROL MEASURES – WHAT ARE WE DOING?	ADDITIONAL CONTROLS	ACTION BY WHO?	ACTION BY WHEN?	DONE
Management of contractors/productions staff, caterers, any external parties	VA/ECF staff, contractors, visitors, members of the public and volunteers - injury arising from unsuitable or poorly planned work,	Key event information on the venue is sent to all contractors/production's teams prior to any event Public Liability Insurance covers the event (with a minimum cover of £10 million). If contractors/production teams hire equipment for the event from an outside body or organisation it is the organiser's responsibility to obtain written confirmation that they have their own public	Event organiser to issue Construction Phase Plan (where relevant), Event plan, Insurances and RAMS (risk assessments and method statements) for temporary structures.	VA and Event Organiser	1 week prior to event - ongoing	

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	including falls, struck-by injuries, crush injuries, cuts, burns or other serious injury.	liability insurance to meet claims resulting from their property/activities at the event. • RAMS (risk assessment/method statement) issued to the VA and any other requested information prior to any event day • Copies are kept in dropbox and by VA	COSHH assessments for hazardous substances.			
Unsafe access and egress – slips, trips, falls, collisions	VA/ECF staff, contractors, visitors, members of the public and volunteers - slips, trips, falls or collisions resulting in bruising, cuts, sprains, fractures or other injury.	• Access/egress points are checked regularly including the conditions of the doors, floors, handrails by VA staff and event staff. • Any issues will be reported to the VA management and the area will be cordoned off until remedied. • No access is permitted to the venue outside of agreed hours. • Accreditation access control used for agreed events. • Access times communicated to event organiser.	Existing controls are adequate maintain and monitor their effectiveness			
Slips, trips and falls – falls from obstructions, debris/waste, trailing cables	VA/ECF staff, contractors, visitors, members of the public and volunteers - slips, trips or falls resulting in bruising, cuts, sprains, strains, fractures or other injury.	• Event organiser carries out a pre-event site visit to ensure that the area is suitable to hold event and has developed a suitable risk assessment. • Emergency routes to be of adequate width and kept clear at all times. • Any uneven or damaged surfaces must be appropriately highlighted usually by means of a physical barrier or hazard tape to warn others of the risks until it can be suitably repaired or replaced. • All working at height must be avoided wherever possible; where not it must be risk assessed, properly planned and organised and any equipment used (e.g. ladders, cherry pickers, scissor lifts) must be properly inspected and maintained in accordance with the Work at Height Regulations (2005) and the Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations (1998).	Event Organiser/Stewards to carry out walk through visual inspection (prior to start of event) to ensure access/egress routes are unobstructed, free from slip and trip hazards and lighting levels are adequate.	Event Organizer and VA/Safety Coordinator	Ongoing	

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		• All cables to be hung at height where possible, if not cable covers used or matting/ramps to ensure smooth areas.				
Vehicle Movement e.g. car parking, reversing vehicles	VA/ECF staff, contractors, visitors, members of the public and volunteers - being struck or crushed by moving/reversing vehicles, potentially resulting in fractures, crush injuries or fatal injury.	• Entrances to car park/car parking area clearly marked and kept clear at all times. • Car park surface regularly maintained and checked for damage, potholes and debris etc. Any potholes or uneven ground will be cordoned off and highlighted. • Parking spaces for visitors with disabilities available close to entrance. For large events, parking to be controlled by marshals wearing high visibility vests. Car park well lit. • Car park barrier in place	Ensure all persons are informed of event and traffic arrangements	VA and Event Organiser	Ongoing	
Equipment and Electrical Failure e.g. shock, burns, injuries from collapsed structures	VA/ECF staff, contractors, visitors, members of the public and volunteers - electric shock, electrical burns, fire-related injury, cuts or crush/impact injuries from failed or collapsed equipment/structures.	• All equipment used is well maintained and in a good state of repair. • Where equipment requires statutory inspection (lifting equipment) documentation will be checked. • Copies of all lifting certs and public liability insurance to be obtained in advance of the event. • VA will request temporary structures sign off (when requested) from contractors/production teams before event goes live • Any stages and marquees to be erected by a competent person/contractor. • Contractor(s) to provide sign off certificates for all structures. • All equipment is visually inspected prior to use to ensure there is no damage and no obvious defects. • VA has a fixed wire testing report completed within the last 3 years. • RCD protection systems used wherever reasonably practicable. • No attempt made to repair damaged or faulty equipment such as frayed wires unless a competent electrician.	Existing controls are adequate maintain and monitor their effectiveness			

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		• Periodic electrical checks (visual) throughout the event on all electrical equipment. • Event staff monitor site for no trailing cables or wires. • Any damaged cables removed off site immediately. • Run wires at height where possible. • All electrical equipment is well maintained and in good state of repair. • No petrol or diesel generators used inside, and any use of generator outside must have the location agreed to by VA.				
Rigging , equipment failing, falls from height – serious injury	VA/ECF staff, contractors, visitors, members of the public and volunteers - falls from height or being struck by falling rigging/equipment, potentially causing fractures, head injuries, crush injuries or fatal injury.	• All rigging works completed by competent persons and must comply with the VMA safe working practices. • VA's structural appraisal regarding roof loading agreed to in writing before any loads are supported by the roof. • All safety certificates for all motors, trusses and rigging equipment to be produced on demand by the VA staff and or local authority inspectors. • LOLER (Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations 1998) and PUWER (Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations) complied with at all times. • BS 7906-2 Lifting Equipment for Performance, Broadcast and Similar Applications complied with. • A ground rigger is to work under the strict instructions of the rigger and work supervised at all times. • Safe working load complied with at all times. • Any damage to walls, floors or structures of the arena during the build and works will stop until the VA management are notified.	Existing controls are adequate maintain and monitor their effectiveness			
Erection and use of temporary structures , instability leading to	VA/ECF staff, contractors, visitors, members of the public	• Temporary stages, platforms, seating, barriers and other demountable structures must be designed, installed and used in accordance with the	Existing controls are adequate maintain and			

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major injury or building damage	and volunteers - collapse or movement of temporary structures causing crush injuries, fractures, head injuries or potentially fatal injury.	manufacturer's/design specification and any relevant structural calculations. • Structural calculations, floor loadings and other relevant design information to be made available to VA/event management where required and agreed before installation/use. • A pre-installation inspection of the area will consider overhead obstructions, ground/floor conditions, access requirements and loading restrictions. Installation/erection must be undertaken by trained and competent persons/contractors and appropriately supervised. • A suitable briefing will take place before work commences. • Suitable edge protection, steps, ramps, barriers and edge demarcation/lighting will be provided as required by the design and risk assessment. • The work area will be suitably segregated to prevent unauthorised access during erection and dismantling. • Appropriate completion/sign-off certification will be provided before the structure is brought into use where required. • Any defect, damage or deviation from the approved design will be reported immediately and the structure will not be used until made safe.	monitor their effectiveness			
Working at Height , falls from height, falls of materials onto persons below	VA/ECF staff, contractors, visitors, members of the public and volunteers - falls from height or falling objects causing	• MEWP weight and floor loading to be checked and agreed before entering/operating within the arena. • MEWP manufacturer's instructions to be available. • Carpet and suitable load-spreading/moveable boards to be laid over the basketball court dynamic flooring before MEWPs are driven onto it, where required.	Existing controls are adequate maintain and monitor their effectiveness			

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	fractures, head injuries, crush injuries, serious or potentially fatal injury.	• Safe working loads/floor loadings must not be exceeded. • Work at height will be avoided where reasonably practicable and otherwise properly planned, supervised and carried out safely. • MEWPs must only be operated by persons who have received suitable training and have been assessed as competent for the category of MEWP being used (e.g. IPAF or equivalent). • MEWPs must be suitably maintained and inspected in accordance with PUWER and have a current thorough examination report in accordance with LOLER where applicable. • Pre-use checks to be completed before use, equipment must not be used where defects are identified. Ground/floor must be level, stable and suitable for the equipment and imposed loads. • SWL to be clearly identified and never exceeded. Suitable barriers/exclusion zones to prevent unauthorised access beneath or around work at height.. • Tools/materials to be secured where reasonably practicable to prevent falling objects. • MEWPs must not obstruct required access, egress or emergency routes unless suitable alternative arrangements, barriers and signage are in place. • Working platforms to have suitable guardrails and toe boards as applicable. • Suitable head protection and safety footwear complying with BS EN ISO 20345 to be worn where				
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		identified by the task-specific risk assessment. Where work at height creates a foreseeable risk of a helmet being dislodged, appropriate chin-strapped head protection shall be provided. • A written rescue plan must be in place for MEWP operations, with ground controls accessible and suitable arrangements for emergency lowering. • MEWP keys/control arrangements must ensure authorised operation and enable implementation of the rescue plan. Specific to stepladders/leaning ladders: • Ladders and stepladders must be suitable for professional use, maintained in good condition and subject to a pre-use visual inspection before use. Defective equipment must be taken out of service immediately. • Ladders/stepladders to comply with EN 131 Professional where applicable and be used only for short-duration, low-risk work where a ladder is suitable. • Users must be competent in safe ladder use. • Stepladders: all feet in contact with firm, level ground; avoid side loading; maintain three points of contact where practicable. • Leaning ladders: positioned at approximately 75 degrees (1-in-4 rule), secured where necessary, and not placed on movable objects. • Do not move or extend ladders while occupied and do not work from the top three rungs of a leaning ladder.				
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		• Only light tools/materials to be carried while using ladders. • Work area to be segregated where necessary to protect others.				
Fire Safety Uncontrolled fire, spread of fire, special effects, pyrotechnic lasers, strobe lighting, lasers etc.	VA/ECF staff, contractors, visitors, members of the public and volunteers - burns, smoke inhalation, respiratory injury, crushing during evacuation, serious injury or fatality.	• FRA in place for the arena/venue and emergency actions plan issued and followed by all parties • When leasing a premises or parts of premises which is an empty and unsupervised facility (e.g. temporary structures and marquees), the fire safety responsibilities of those leasing the premises (and, therefore, in charge of the activities conducted within the premises), and those of the owner/lessee, need to be established as part of the contract of hire.	Inform non-employees, temporary or contract workers, of the relevant risks to them, and provide them with information about the fire safety procedures for the event.	VA/Event Organiser	Ongoing	
Unsafe use of Pyrotechnics, lasers, strobes, fogs etc.	VA/ECF staff, contractors, visitors, members of the public and volunteers - burns, eye injury, respiratory irritation, adverse effects from strobe lighting, fire-related injury or other serious injury.	• No pyrotechnics unless agreed to by VA directors and management. • Any strobe, lasers and or fog must be highlighted in the RAMS. • Warning signs erected in foyer or in event programme for strobe light usage. • All machines used with the manufacturer's instructions. • COSHH assessment must be issued by events team for any hazardous substances. • All machines away from the general public. • No smoking or vaping allowed in building. • No fireworks allowed in building. • Adequate ventilation in building.	Existing controls are adequate maintain and monitor their effectiveness			
Seat installation (flat floor seating), trips hazards, poorly maintained seats, seat collapse	VA/ECF staff, contractors, visitors, members of the public and volunteers - trips, falls or seat collapse	• HSG195 second edition used as guidance and followed to • Event Staff to check seating and removed if defects found • Installation carried out by an approved/competent contractor.	Existing controls are adequate maintain and monitor their effectiveness			

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	resulting in bruising, cuts, sprains, fractures or crush injuries.	- Chairs connected along rows in accordance with manufacturer's guidelines and using the link connectors on the seats. - Strict control kept by event stewards to stop public standing on seats				
Crowd Management, lack of evacuation procedures leading to crowd crushing and associated injuries	VA/ECF staff, contractors, visitors, members of the public and volunteers - crowd pressure, crushing, falls or inability to evacuate safely resulting in bruising, fractures, crush injuries, asphyxiation or fatal injury.	- Crowd capacities considered throughout the planning of all events - Green guide to guide any capacity requirements - Ensure adequate access remains for wheelchair users and pushchairs is provided. - Capacity is controlled via tickets and/or wristbands - Adequate entrance and exit routes with no obstructions, which are clearly signposted. Consider the design of the venue and need for barriers to allow good entry and exit routes with no obstructions and allow for crowd movement within the venue. - There is sufficient supervision for the event (e.g. SIA's and stewards on site) and that there is an effective means of communication between stewards and to the audience (e.g. radios/PA system) where necessary - The safe capacity and crowd-management arrangements must be reviewed for each event, taking account of event layout, floor configuration, temporary structures/barriers, ingress/egress arrangements and any areas taken out of normal use. - Arrangements must consider persons who may require assistance, including disabled and vulnerable attendees, and maintain suitable emergency evacuation arrangements.	Event Organiser to carry out walk through visual inspection (prior to start of event) to ensure access/egress routes are unobstructed and free from slip and trip hazards. In particular ensure that checks are made of all fire and emergency facilities.	VA/Event Organiser	ongoing	
Injury caused by malicious or terrorist activity	VA/ECF staff, contractors, visitors, members of the public	Protective security arrangements will be planned in accordance with the venue's security procedures and	Existing controls are adequate maintain and monitor their effectiveness			

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	and volunteers - physical injury, burns, blast injuries, crushing, psychological harm, serious injury or fatality arising from malicious or terrorist activity.	the requirements applicable under the Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025. • Security arrangements and staffing levels will be reviewed for each event based on attendance, event profile and identified threats/risks. • Ticket checking, queuing and search arrangements will be planned to avoid unnecessary congestion around entrances and vehicle routes. • Bag and person-search arrangements will be determined by the venue's security plan and event-specific risk assessment. Any exemptions or alternative search arrangements must be formally agreed by venue management/security. • Where technological search solutions are used, they will form part of the agreed venue/event search procedure. • Queues will be managed away from vehicle access routes wherever practicable, with suitable diversions/barriers where required. • Staff involved in event delivery will receive appropriate information/instruction relevant to their role regarding suspicious behaviour/items, emergency communication, evacuation, invacuation and other protective security procedures. • VA will issue the Emergency Action Plan/relevant emergency information to the event organiser.				
First Aid	VA/ECF staff, contractors, visitors, members of the public and volunteers - illness or injury may	• The level of medical and first-aid provision will be determined for each event taking account of anticipated attendance, audience profile, event type, duration, activities and identified risks.	Existing controls are adequate maintain and monitor their effectiveness			

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	worsen where appropriate first-aid or medical assistance is not available promptly.	• Required medical/first-aid provision will be documented within the event plan/medical arrangements and suitable competent personnel provided. • First aid points and equipment will be appropriately located, maintained, accessible and signposted. • Medical waste/sharps will be stored in suitable secure containers and collected/disposed of by an appropriate competent contractor. • Where an ambulance or dedicated medical team is required, this will be confirmed within the event plan. • A defibrillator (2 x) is available on site and relevant staff are made aware of its location. • The VA Emergency Action Plan will be followed in the event of an emergency.				
Safety Stewards and supervisor duties – lack of control, overcrowding, unknown responsibilities, violence in crowd, bruising to major injury	VA/ECF staff, contractors, participants, spectators, visitors and members of the public - overcrowding, disorder or violence causing bruising, cuts, fractures, crush injuries, assault-related injury or other serious injury.	• Stewarding plan will be drawn up by management taking into account The Green Guide • All stewards will be competent and have completed a training programme, typically this will be a level 2 • Stewards' supervisors will receive additional training and it is recommended that they hold a level 3 or are working towards L3 • All stewards will be briefed prior to the event. If more than 50 safety stewards the briefings will be out into smaller groups • Safety stewards are to assist with the circulation of spectators, to prevent overcrowding, disorder and to provide the means to investigate, report and take early action in an incident • All contract or agency stewards will follow the Green Guide section 4.15	Existing controls are adequate maintain and monitor their effectiveness			

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		• Ensure compliance with entry for attendees • Ensure control or direct spectators who are entering/leaving to help achieve safe flow of people • Monitor crowd movements • Identify and report and potential hazards e.g. trip hazards, defective services or fire hazards. • To report conflict and where appropriate alert the safety office • To assist the emergency services as required • To be competent to use radios and tablets or any other communication methods • Stewards will be polite, courteous and helpful to all spectators • Stewards will be clean, tidy and smartly dressed at all times • All stewards de-briefed to assess the effectiveness of the safety management (section 4.17 of the green guide)				
Children and young People	Children and young people, including visitors and volunteers - slips, trips, falls, collision injuries, becoming lost/separated, distress or other injury due to reduced awareness of hazards.	• Organiser to carry out a pre-event site visit to ensure that the area is suitable for young persons. Age plays a big part in the ability to recognise and avoid risk. Accordingly, where young persons are volunteering in an event, there should be adequate supervision at all times. • If volunteering, there should be no groups of children under the age of 16 working in an area without direct supervision of an adult. All staff and stewards made aware of the Lost Child policy in the VA Emergency action plan. • Event staff will contact the event control room for instructions in the case of a lost child	Existing controls are adequate maintain and monitor their effectiveness			
Public Disorder e.g. violence, aggression or antisocial	VA/ECF staff, contractors, visitors, members of the public and volunteers -	• Event organiser to ensure there are trained personnel to spot potential troublemakers, defuse tension/situations etc throughout. • Adequate number of trained, SIA badged security staff. Staff trained in procedures re-entry, queuing, searches, etc	Provide advance information of prohibited items (glass and/or alcohol) the public can bring to the event.	VA/Event Organiser		

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	assault, violence or disorder resulting in bruising, cuts, fractures, head injury, psychological harm or other serious injury.	and signs displayed for public as agreed to prior to the event. • Control of numbers at event particularly in performance areas. • Security staff employed to observe crowd behaviours. • No alcohol allowed /drinks not served to people obviously under the influence. • No glass at the event. • Challenge 25 policy in place • Only prescribed medication allowed on site. • No drugs policy adhered to at all times, anyone suspected will be removed off site				
Disposal of Hazardous waste e.g. medical waste, hazardous waste, vermin, slips and trips	VA/ECF staff, contractors, visitors, members of the public and volunteers - cuts/puncture wounds, infection, exposure to hazardous substances, slips/trips or illness from poorly controlled waste.	• Arrangements in place to clear site of litter and refuse after event, including local council for the disposal of any waste classed as hazardous i.e., medical waste etc. • Sufficient waste disposal bags/containers available with arrangements for immediate collection or storage until refuse collection day. Special containers for glass. Appropriate protective clothing and equipment provided for litter/ waste collection. • Good housekeeping standards maintained.	Existing controls are adequate maintain and monitor their effectiveness			
Noise	VA/ECF staff, contractors and others exposed to event noise - temporary or permanent hearing damage, noise-induced hearing loss,	• VA will respond to noise complaints immediately. • Hearing protection available for staff. • Noise meter available for events. • Noise will be monitored throughout all events from the load in to the load out (see noise management plan) Where employees or contractors may be exposed to significant occupational noise during load-in, sound checks, performances or load-out, exposure	Existing controls are adequate maintain and monitor their effectiveness			

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	tinnitus or other hearing-related harm.	will be assessed and controlled in accordance with the Control of Noise at Work Regulations 2005. Hearing protection will be provided where required but will not be relied upon as the sole means of control where reasonably practicable alternatives are available.				
Welfare Arrangements e.g. lack of toilet, warm water, drying facilities, cooking facilities	VA/ECF staff, contractors and volunteers - illness, dehydration, discomfort or hygiene-related health effects where suitable welfare facilities are not available.	• VA have excellent welfare facilities, and accessible welfare facilities, toilets and other welfare facilities made available as per agreement on event. • Drinking water available for all persons in the main foyer.	Plan of arena with room allocations agreed to prior to event starting	VA/Event Organiser	ongoing	
Manual handling - strains, sprains, cuts, crush injuries or musculoskeletal injury	VA/ECF staff, contractors and volunteers undertaking handling activities - strains, sprains, back/upper-limb injury, cuts, trapped fingers, crush injuries or other musculoskeletal injury.	• Manual handling will be avoided or reduced where reasonably practicable. • Event organisers/contractors will assess significant manual handling activities and provide suitable task-specific controls. • Mechanical handling aids and team handling will be used where appropriate. • Loads will be assessed before handling, taking account of weight, size, shape, stability, route and individual capability. • Persons undertaking manual handling will receive suitable information/instruction and training relevant to their work. • Suitable gloves/PPE will be worn where loads present sharp edges or other handling hazards.	Existing controls are adequate - maintain and monitor their effectiveness			

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Load-in/load-out, delivery vehicles and workplace transport - collision, reversing, struck-by or crush injuries	VA/ECF staff, contractors, visitors, members of the public and volunteers - collision with vehicles/plant or being struck/crushed during loading activities, causing fractures, crush injuries, serious or potentially fatal injury.	• Load-in/load-out arrangements will be planned for each event and communicated to relevant contractors/production teams. • Pedestrian and vehicle movements will be segregated where reasonably practicable. • Reversing will be minimised; where required, suitable controls such as trained banksmen/marshals will be used based on the risk assessment. • Loading/unloading areas will be suitably controlled and unauthorised persons kept clear. • Vehicle routes, loading areas, doors and emergency access routes will be kept clear. • Forklifts/plant and other work equipment will only be operated by trained and authorised persons and in accordance with event/contractor RAMS. • High-visibility clothing and other PPE will be worn where required by the activity/risk assessment.	Existing controls are adequate - maintain and monitor their effectiveness			
Adverse weather affecting external queues, loading activities or temporary external arrangements - slips, wind effects, heat/cold exposure	VA/ECF staff, contractors, visitors, members of the public and volunteers - slips/falls, cold or heat-related illness, dehydration, or injury from wind-affected equipment/temporary structures.	• Weather conditions and forecasts will be considered where events involve external queuing, loading/unloading, external activities or temporary external structures. • Suitable controls will be implemented for rain, ice, snow, high winds, heat or other adverse conditions as applicable. • Temporary external structures/equipment will be used within specified weather/wind limits and secured as required. • External walking routes will be maintained and treated/closed where conditions make them unsafe.	Existing controls are adequate - maintain and monitor their effectiveness			

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		• Event management may modify, delay, suspend or cancel affected activities where conditions cannot be adequately controlled.				
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