

Risk Assessment

Equipment / activity: Human Hamster Balls Date: 05/01/2023

Hazard	Who is at risk?	Possible effects/ harm	Likelihood (high, medium, low)	Evaluatio n & Control Measures	Revised risk rating (high, medium, low)	Are there adequate control measures in place?
Blower or electrical failure	Participants	Injury due to panic	Medium	All blowers and leads to be stored in a dry place. All electrical equipment to be PAT tested with regular maintenance	Low	Yes
Seams parting or tears in the walls.	Participants	Injury due to panic	Medium	Units should be packed away correctly and tightly secured to avoid tears. Regular checks and maintenance should take place.	Low	Yes
Event site dangers	Participants, instructor, spectators	Punctures to inflatables, trips, slips	Medium	On arrival, site to be checked for debris and any found should be cleared up. Operator reserves the right to request a different area if unsuitable.	Low	Yes

Unit lifted by wind	Participants, instructor, spectators	Damage to equipment and injuries to users, spectators and staff	Low	Weather should be checked and monitored continuously. Activity to stop and zorbs to be anchored in event of high winds. Operators decision is final.	Low	Yes
Unit moving too fast	Participants, spectators	Possible sprains and minor injuries	Low	Adequate operator instructions	Low	Yes
Stepping out of unit whilst moving	Participants	Injury to arms or legs	Medium	User to adhere to operator instructions at all times	Low	Yes
Number of people using unit	Participants	Multiple injuries	Low	User to adhere to operator instructions at all times. No more than 1 person to be in the unit at any time.	Low	Yes
Over enthusiasm	Participants	Injuries through loss of footing	Medium	User to adhere to operator instructions at all times	Low	Yes
Unsuitable clothing	Participants	Deflation of unit, cuts.	Low	User to remove all jewellery and tie back long hair. No phones or loose items to be taken into the unit. All sharp object to be removed	Low	Yes

Safe operation	Participants, spectators	Spectators being knocked over, injuries to users, damage to units.	Medium.	Have a designated rolling area on a reasonable level surface. User to follow operate instructions at all times. In event of an emergency, activity to be stopped and users asked to leave all units. Operators decision is final.	Low	Yes
Pre existing injuries	Participants	Injuries/ illness could be made worse by participation	Low	Users should be aware of their own ability to participate. Anyone with pre-existing injuries that would be worsened by this activity should not take part. Pregnant women should not take part. Anyone with anxiety or phobia's of enclosed spaces should not take part. Anyone feeling ill during participation should stop and leave the activity and if necessary, request help.	Low	Yes

Risk rating

High

For example:

- fatality possible to one or more individuals however infrequent
- major injury to few individuals occurring frequently
- likelihood of long term muscular-skeletal problems affecting significant numbers of staff Immediate action required

Medium

For example:

- major injury to one/few individuals occurring infrequently
- likelihood of long term muscular-skeletal problems affecting some staff. Requires attention as soon as possible

Low

For example:

• minor injury occurring infrequently to few staff. Not a priority, may need attention if not as low as reasonably practicable.