

General risk assessment form

Location:	Customer Sites/Base	Activity: Lone Workers
People at risk:	Drivers/contract and agency workers	
		01/04/2025


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1	Assault Sudden illness Environmental Mechanical / tool use Slips, trips or falls Overfilled bins	Various types of accident but the main issue is that the person may not be found quickly enough, particularly if they are working at night <ul style="list-style-type: none"> E.g. Cuts & abrasions, broken bones, internal injury, death, hypothermia, dehydration, loss of consciousness, damage to eyes crushed limbs, sunburn/sunstroke 	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drivers must report on site hazards eg unlit areas etc as soon as practicable – office to report issue to broker/ direct customer in writing (if the issue is serious, the site will be put on stop until the hazard has been resolved). Inform colleagues/ office of movements (calendar system). Staff booking in/out, including out of hours – (CCTV). All employees are given a monthly amount of money for their mobile phone 		

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a delegated person responsible for answering the 'lone worker' telephone (Sarah) – drivers know of a second named person (Muriel). • Provide emergency/reporting procedures. • Ensure worker is fully trained in activities being undertaken. • Assessment of weather & physical conditions of area – any illness or weather issues to be reported to Sarah or Muriel. • Take a mobile phone and ensure it is fully charged. Consider carrying a personal alarm. 		

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Avoid confrontation with the public. Reduce risk of attack / violence through avoidance of high-risk situations such as unlit areas at night. Do not go into unlit areas. Ensure appropriate high vis clothing, including PPE is worn. Drink plenty of water and use sun block in hot weather. Take regular breaks to avoid accident through tiredness Drivers to report overfilled bins – bins will not be emptied Drivers given fire extinguisher and torch and have the correct PPE equipment for the task such as gloves, hat etc. 		

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<p>Any further information:</p> <p>See SSOW1, SSOW2 and SSOW3, SSOW4, SSOW5, SSOW6, Method Statements to ensure safe working procedures</p>						

Managers should monitor and review the application of the specified controls

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Risk Rating Your evaluation of the potential impact and likelihood of harm occurring	Action Required
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