

Risk Assessment

Manual Handling (General)									
Venue		Buxton Opera House							
Department		Technical			Category			General	
RA Reference		BUXOPTTECH0017			Review			12 months	
Date of RA/review		23/06/2023			Next review			23/06/2024	
Assessor/Reviewer		Jmorgan							
People at risk (estimated numbers of people at risk)									
Employees		11-50			Contractors			0	
Visitors		0			Members of the Public			0	
Production staff		11-50			Others			0	
Client employees		6-10			Students			0	
Activity									
General Assessment for the manual handling of loads throughout all activities undertaken at Buxton Opera House and Pavilion Arts Centre.									
Any other relevant information									
Reviewed 23/06/2023 - Mark Collyer (RBHSS)									
Hazard	Risk	Control measures	Risk Rating			Actions	Revised RR		
			L	S	RR		L	S	RR
Dropping of loads	Potential for musculoskeletal or impact injury or ill-health.	1: Avoid manual handling where possible 2: No person may be required to manually handle a load unless supervisors are satisfied that they are suitably fit willing and able to do so 3: Loads shall be positioned mechanically as close as possible to its final position to reduce the distance for manual handling 4: Load to be examined to determine its weight dimensions and contents 5: Area of lift and route along which the load is to be transported, shall be well lit,	2	4	8				

		<p>slip/trip/fall hazards</p> <p>6: Test to see if the load is likely to fall apart when lifted or if the contents within the load may be subject to unexpected movements with sudden displacement of the weight</p> <p>7: Lifting aids will be employed specify where practicable</p> <p>8: Consider whether personal protective equipment is required steel toe capped boots</p> <p>9: Team lifting will be carried out under the direction of a competent co ordinator. Team members will be fully fit and of similar abilities</p> <p>10: Temporary resting facilities for the load to be designated constructed</p> <p>11: Good handling techniques are essential in the prevention of injury from manual handling operations the correct method of lifting is to use the strong leg and thigh muscles and to maintain the natural shape of the spine throughout the lift</p> <p>12: All staff recieve regularly refreshed manual handling training</p>						
Lifting of heavy or awkward loads	Potential for musculoskeletal injury or ill-health, or impact or abrasive injury.	<p>1: Test to see if the load is likely to fall apart when lifted or if the contents within the load may be subject to unexpected movements with sudden displacement of the weight</p> <p>2: Operatives will have been trained in the methods of kinetic lifting and handling techniques</p> <p>3: First aiders to be on hand staff and visitors to be made aware of who the first aiders are</p> <p>4: Maintain good house keeping</p> <p>5: Tool box talk given verbally</p> <p>6: Area of lift and route along which the load is to be transported, shall be well lit, with non slip surface and clear of any slip/trip/fall hazards</p>	2	4	8			

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Poor lighting	Increased risk of musculoskeletal or impact injury due to poor lighting.	<p>1: First aiders to be on hand staff and visitors to be made aware of who the first aiders are</p> <p>2: Maintain good house keeping</p> <p>3: Tool box talk given verbally</p> <p>4: Area of lift and route along which the load is to be transported, shall be well lit, with non slip surface and clear of any slip/trip/fall hazards</p> <p>5: Avoid manual handling where possible</p> <p>6: PPE steel toed boots to be worn when manually handling significant loads</p> <p>7: Operatives will have been trained in the methods of kinetic lifting and handling techniques</p>	1	1	1			
Slips and trips whilst handling loads	Cuts & abrasions, Broken bones, Musculoskeletal disorders	<p>1: First aiders to be on hand staff and visitors to be made aware of who the first aiders are</p> <p>2: Maintain good house keeping</p> <p>3: Tool box talk given verbally</p> <p>4: Area of lift and route along which the load is to be transported, shall be well lit, with non slip surface and clear of any slip/trip/fall hazards</p> <p>5: Avoid manual handling where possible</p> <p>6: Lifting aids will be employed specify where practicable</p>	2	4	8			

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Trapping fingers	Cuts & abrasions, Broken bones , Musculoskeletal disorders	<p>1: First aiders to be on hand staff and visitors to be made aware of who the first aiders are</p> <p>2: Avoid manual handling where possible</p> <p>3: No person may be required to manually handle a load unless supervisors are satisfied that they are suitably fit willing and able to do so</p> <p>4: Loads shall be positioned mechanically as close as possible to its final position to reduce the distance for manual handling</p> <p>5: Load to be examined to determine its weight dimensions and contents</p> <p>6: Area of lift and route along which the load is to be transported, shall be well lit, with non slip surface and clear of any slip/trip/fall hazards</p> <p>7: Test to see if the load is likely to fall apart when lifted or if the contents within the load may be subject to unexpected</p>	1	3	3			

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9: PPE heavy duty gloves are to be worn where there is a risk of fingers becoming trapped during a handling activity

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