

Site Address

Site Risk

RA Ref No:

Assessor

Job

<<Name>>

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Assessment Date

Review Dates / Initials

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Assessment task:

Gardening and Landscaping

Persons at risk	Details	
Contractors	<<e.g. all operatives>>	<<e.g.
Visitors		
Gen. Public / Others		

any disabled?	Comments
Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<<e.g. manually unloading lorry containing 25kg bags of cement and placing in site store 10m away>>
Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

Hz No.	Hazard description	How are persons affected?	P
1	Cuts and abrasions	e.g. Operatives can suffer cuts to their fingers or hands from plant thorns, or from using cutting or trimming tools.	<<e.g. 4>>
2	Fall from heights	e.g. Operatives can suffer serious injuries if they fall from ladders or steps while accessing high areas.	<<e.g. 4>>
3	Manual handling	e.g. Repeated bending and twisting movements, and pulling of plants can cause upper and lower back strains.	<<e.g. 4>>
4	Contact with plant sap	e.g. Operatives may suffer skin rashes if they come into contact with some plant sap.	<<e.g. 4>>

Existing controls	Further controls / action
e.g. All operatives to wear gloves if practicable>>	<<e.g. All operatives to be given Toolbox Talks on general safety>>
e.g. Site supervisor to ensure that ladders are used for access and not used long periods>>	<<e.g. Site supervisor to ensure that suitable access /working platforms are available>>
e.g. Site supervisor to ensure that operatives are allowed to rest>>	<<e.g. Site supervisor to ensure that mechanical aids are available to help dig etc>>
e.g. Operative to undergo training before work starts. PPE to be supplied>>	<<e.g. Site supervisor to ensure that plants are trimmed at best times>>

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Severity (S)	5=fatal, 4=severe, 3=moderate, 2=slight, 1=negligible
Risk (R)	0-8=low risk, no action required. 9-15=medium risk, ensure adequate controls

25=high risk, stop operation & implement control measures

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5	Flying debris – eye damage	E.g. Operatives and any others may be at risk of stones being thrown up by mowers or strimmers.	<<e.g. >>
	Hay fever – allergic reactions to cut grass etc	E.g. operatives and others may be adversely affected by newly cut grass.	<<e.g. >>
	Insect bites/stings	E.g. Operatives can suffer anaphylactic shock after being bitten or stung.	<<e.g. >>

Operatives to wear PPE as directed >>	<< Site supervisor to ensure that works area is kept clear or non essential personnel>>
Operatives to be aware of any allergies they may have. >>	<< Site supervisor to ensure that if possible that no-one who suffers from grass allergy is cutting grass or is in vicinity >>
Operatives to ensure that they carry Epi pens if they are susceptible to bites or stings, and to ensure that their supervisor is aware >>	<< Site supervisor to ensure that all protocols are followed>>

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