

Health & Safety Risk Assessment for Barn Dance.

Hazard/Risk	How hazard/risk is mitigated	Who could be effected by hazard.	Likelihood of being effected	Worst consequence of being effected	Total for risk assessed.
Trip, slip or fall whilst participating in dance activity.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Caller to warn of danger.</li> <li>• Caller to check area of activity for possible slip materials like water, ink or sand.</li> <li>• Caller to ensure that VSA/VC do not run or rush around area of activity.</li> <li>• Caller and VSA to directly supervise VC at all times in area of activity.</li> <li>• Caller and VSA to ensure that VC/VSA are wearing suitable non slip shoes and footwear, not socks.</li> <li>• Caller to ensure Public Address System (PA) stands and trailing leads are suitably positioned.</li> </ul>	Caller, VSA, VC	2	20	40
Failure to respond to emergency alarm and/or instructions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Caller to ensure that they have knowledge and experience of Emergency and Evacuation alarms and procedures.</li> <li>• Caller to ensure music and PA volumes are adjusted to levels deemed necessary by the Caller.</li> <li>• Hooke Court to ensure alarm systems are regularly checked and the results recorded.</li> </ul>	Caller, VSA, VC	1	75	75
Strain, pulled muscle or other injury/condition triggered or made worse by dance activity.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Caller to check with VSA to ensure that any participant is fit and able to take part in the activity. The responsibility for participation remains with VSA not Hooke Court or Caller.</li> <li>• VSA are to ensure that they have all necessary medicines for the participants. This includes Asthma inhalers etc.</li> <li>• Caller to ensure suitable warm up into dance activity.</li> <li>• Caller to ensure dance session is not too strenuous in content.</li> </ul>	Caller, VSA, VC	2	20	40
Puncture wound or similar caused by sharp object on the floor.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Caller to warn of danger and advise VSA/VC to conduct a visual search of the floor area and report anything which may cause injury to foot including splinters.</li> <li>• Caller to check the area of activity prior to activity for anything which may cause injury during session.</li> </ul>	Caller, VSA, VC	2	20	40

Collision with furniture or other object within area of activity.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Caller to warn of danger.</li> <li>• Caller to ensure that area of activity is suitably prepared for the dance activity, with furniture stored/stacked in a safe manner.</li> </ul>	Caller, VSA VC	2	20	40
Manual handling injury	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Caller, VSA and VC to ensure that they do not move or try to move any heavy objects. Stacks of chairs to be kept to maximum height of six.</li> <li>• Caller to use assistance, manual or mechanical, if necessary to carry equipment to venue.</li> </ul>	Caller, VSA VC	2	20	40

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