

Company Policy Statement for Work Equipment.

The Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations 1998 apply to the functioning and safety of our work equipment.

Where reasonable, we will adapt the work equipment, or its use, to those employees with disabilities, as long as this creates no additional hazards.

In order to minimise the risk of injury from work equipment, we will put in place arrangements for the assessment of risks and then create appropriate control measures to minimise the risks identified.

These measures will include the following arrangements and procedures:

- a full assessment of new and second hand equipment purchased.
- all equipment to comply with any relevant product safety standards.
- all hired or rented equipment will be required to comply with the regulations, and will include the provision of comprehensible information on safe use.
- inspection and testing of the equipment where necessary.
- equipment issued with identification numbers and recorded in logs.
- adequate and identifiable means of isolation, where appropriate.
- the provision of suitable and effective guards and safety devices.
- the provision of suitable and effective operating controls.
- suitable and readily comprehensible signs and warnings.
- suitable levels of lighting and ventilation for task.
- suitable training for operatives.
- suitable task specific risk assessments.
- provision of suitable PPE as required to work with or operate the work equipment.

These arrangements will be reviewed at least annually and on significant change in the type, nature or use of equipment.

Employees are reminded that they have a legal obligation under the Management of Health & Safety at Work regulations 1999 to inform their manager of situations where they see serious and imminent danger to health and safety, or any matters where they see a shortcoming in our arrangements for health and safety protection.

Reference Documents; PRHS 012 – Company Policy Statement for Personal Protective Equipment
ST-001 – Company Policy Statement on Training

P I T K I N A N D R U D D O C K L T D
