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RISK ASSESSMENT AND METHOD STATEMENT (RAMS)

Duplex Cleaning Machines are committed to achieving excellence in safety management

All work will be conducted in accordance with the relevant Health and Safety regulations

PROPOSED WORKS: Steam cleaning with steam only or steam and

vacuum

WORK ORDER:*

LOCATION:*

DURATION:*

DATE:*

HSE NOTIFICATION REQUIRED: No

No. OF OPERATIVES LIKELY TO BE INVOLVED:*

MANAGER/RESPONSIBLE PERSON: *

ON SITE SUPERVISOR:*

*to be completed on site

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE WORKS

Operation and use of the Duplex range steam cleaners



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Method Statement

- 1) Ensure no public access to area being cleaned
- 2) Only staff involved in the cleaning process should be allowed in the immediate area
- 3) Place warning signs at the entrance and exit to work area
- 4) Only trained and certified staff to use the machine
- 5) Check mains cable for damage before plugging the machine in
- 6) Plug in the machine to a suitable socket outlet
- 7) Wait for red "steam ready" light to come on before commencing work
- 8) Use only tools and accessories supplied with the machine
- 9) Use machines as shown in the user manual and/or during your training session
- 10) Carry-out cleaning as necessary
- 11) Re-position machine if necessary to complete cleaning task
- 12) Remove equipment and leave area clean and safe
- 13) Clean all accessories before putting machine away clean











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Risk Assessment

Hazards Identified	Persons at Risk	Existing and Additional Risk Control Measures	Risk Remaining After Controls
Contact with equipment – Contact with rotating brushes	Operators	Equipment meets current PUWER requirements.	Low
		Operators to be trained in the handling and use of equipment.	
		Operators need to wear general protective clothing and gloves.	
		When removing brushes and accessories always turn off the machine.	
		Operators must be aware that recently used brushes and accessories may still be hot after use.	
		Eye protection should be worn for close up work or working at eye level.	
Electrical – Mains cable damage	Operators	Cable management training to be provided to operators – KEEP CABLE AWAY FROM ROTATING BRUSHES.	Low
		Electrical risk addressed by electrical systems having 30ma RCD protection built into site systems.	
		A damaged main power cable is to be reported and the machine not used until it is replaced.	
		Ensure the main power cable is kept out of the work area as much as is possible.	
Contact with hot equipment / steam temperature (if using a Duplex with team) product.	Operators	Clear warnings are provided on equipment.	Low
		Protective clothing, gloves and safety footwear to be provided.	
		Operators to be trained in the handling and use of equipment.	
		Steam temperature at tip of nozzles being used, protective clothing to be worn.	
COSHH – Use of cleaning products.	Operators	No cleaning chemical/detergent to be used in the machine.	Low



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PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT REQUIRED BY OPERATOR ON SITE

Standard protective clothing used during general cleaning tasks including gloves.

ADDITIONAL PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT REQUIRED FOR SPECIFIC OPERATIONS

Goggles if using the machine in close proximity

NOTICES /SIGNAGE (In accordance with the Code of Practice for Third Party Works signage)

Operatives at work/Wet Floor/Cleaning in progress

IMPLICATIONS TO THIRD PARTIES / GENERAL PUBLIC

Restricted access to all areas being cleaned

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT - ROAD / PEDESTRIAN, ETC

Restricted access to all areas being cleaned

TEMPORARY WORKS Yes/No

COSHH/DATA SHEETS - (Attach assessment sheets)

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Local contact Numbers.....

If the situation is an emergency then DIAL 999 and request the required service