

RISK ASSESSMENT

Risk Assessment for Inflatables

HAZARDS

- 1...Blowing over or away of the whole structure by the wind.
- 2...Splitting of fabric when under pressure.
- 3...Failure of seams.
- 4...Accidental spilling from users.
- 5...Injury to the users caused either by themselves or other users.
- 6...Overcrowding.
- 7...Injury to users getting on or off the bouncer.
- 8...Large users disregarding little ones.
- 9...Air loss due to blower disconnection / blower failure or power supply interruption.
10. Zip Failure.
11. Inadequate means of escape in case of fire.
12. Dangerous positioning of equipment, including positioning near overhead power lines.
13. Litter obstructing the fan blower.
14. Tripping over objects.

Erector's Responsibility

- 1...To ensure the hirer/s are fully aware of the safety instructions.
(A safety information and instruction sheet are provided with all hires they are read and signed and a copy is left with the hirer/s).
- 2...All anchor points are intact and not damaged.
- 3...Anchor ropes are not worn or chaffed.
- 4...Anchor stakes and their location remain sound for continued use.
- 5...The wall to tower fixings are not torn.
- 6...There are no holes or rips in the surface or seams of the bed and step / front apron.
- 7...When fully inflated all walls and towers (when fitted) are firm and upright and the pressure in the bed and step/front apron are sufficient to give a reliable and firm footing.
- 8...The blower has no exposed wires or loose bolts, screws etc. and that the mesh guards over the air inlet/outlet are secured and intact.
- 9...Electric cables are not worn or chaffed and that plugs, socket* and switches are not damaged. (if socket is damaged then do not use.....locate and check socket in good working order)

Supervisor's Responsibility

- 1..If it is raining please ensure all persons are not using the castle, turn off electric and cover blower and extension cable sockets and.....DO NOT SWITCH ON IF EQUIPMENT IS WET! 2...Ensure that all users remove their footwear (except socks) and any other hard, sharp or dangerous objects from their person such as buckles, belts, purses etc. Spectacles are best removed whilst bouncing on the castle.
- 3...Do not allow anyone to bounce on steps/front apron.
- 4...Do not allow anyone to climb or hang on the outside wall.
- 5...Do not allow users who are taller than the outside walls when standing on the inflated

bouncing surface to use the device.

6...Operators should be pro-active and use a whistle or other device and take action at the first sign of any misbehaviour.

7...Ensure that the equipment is not overloaded, **ADHERE TO MAXIMUM AGE AND USERS FOR EACH CASTLE!**

8..Larger ,older or more boisterous children should be segregated from small ones and a number of users at any one time should be limited to that figure which allows each user enough room to play.

9...Check fan blower is free from litter/obstacles blocking air inlet.

10. ensure all entry and exit points are clear and free from shoes, bags etc.

A FULL RISK ASSESSMENT WILL BE CONDUCTED ON SITE PRIOR TO ANY INFLATABLE OR EQUIPMENT BEING INSTALLED.

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