

Health and Safety Policy and Procedures

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Wadham College

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This section contains;

- An Annual Review of our Health and Safety System and Procedures.
- Periodic Checklists created specifically for individual roles and responsibilities.
- A comprehensive source of records relating to statutory examination periodic inspection and testing of the work equipment and installations used by our organisation. Records relating to Fire Safety Management will be found in our Safety Management System.
- A system for keeping health and safety training records.
- A section for accident and incident reporting, and investigation.

Health and Safety Policy

General Policy

This Health and Safety Policy contains a plan detailing how we manage our health and safety issues. The policy sets out our commitment to manage risks and provide good standards of health and safety and also to meet our legal duties. Health and safety is an integral part of how we do business as a responsible employer and we have put in place the necessary organisation and arrangements to achieve this. This policy has been initiated after carrying out a full appraisal of our health, safety and welfare requirements and will be reviewed periodically (at least annually).

Health and Safety General Policy Statement

This is a declaration of our intent to provide and maintain, so far as is reasonably practicable, a safe and healthy working environment and to enlist the support of employees towards achieving these goals. The General Policy statement is brought to the attention of all employees by publication in the main policy manual and in the Employee Safety Handbook. It is also included in some of our staff notice boards in our premises.

Organisation

This part of the Policy details the health and safety responsibilities of key personnel within our organisation. These responsibilities are fulfilled by completion of various Safety Records, pro-formas and records in relation to on-going maintenance activities, training, accident reporting, and investigation, and actions that have taken place.

Relevant legislation

This page sets out details of the main statutes and regulations affecting health and safety at work that are currently in force.

Safety Arrangements

This part of the Policy explains the systems and procedures in place for managing individual topics or subjects for which our business is responsible.

Health and Safety General Policy Statement

Wadham College recognises that it has responsibilities for the health and safety of our workforce whilst at work and others who could be affected by our work activities. We will assess the hazards and risks faced by our workforce in the course of their work and take action to control those risks to an acceptable, tolerable level.

Our managers and supervisors are made aware of their responsibilities and required to take all reasonable precautions to ensure the safety, health and welfare of our workforce and anyone else likely to be affected by the operation of our business.

This business intends meeting its legal obligations by providing and maintaining a safe and healthy working environment so far as is reasonably practicable. This will be achieved by;

- providing leadership and adequate control of identified health and safety risks;
- consulting with our employees on matters affecting their health and safety;
- providing and maintaining safe plant and equipment;
- ensuring the safe handling and use of substances;
- providing information, instruction, training where necessary for our workforce, taking account of any who do not have English as a first language;
- ensuring that all workers are competent to do their work, and giving them appropriate training;
- preventing accidents and cases of work related ill health;
- actively managing and supervising health and safety at work;
- having access to competent advice;
- aiming for continuous improvement in our health and safety performance and management through regular (at least annual) review and revision of this policy; and
- the provision of the resource required to make this policy and our health and safety arrangements effective.

We also recognise;

- our duty to co-operate and work with other employers when we work at premises or sites under their control to ensure the continued health and safety of all those at work; and
- our duty to co-operate and work with other employers and their workers, when their workers come onto our premises or sites to do work for us, to ensure the health and safety of everyone at work.

To help achieve our objectives and ensure our employees recognise their duties under health and safety legislation whilst at work, we will also remind them of their duty to take reasonable care for themselves and for others who might be affected by their activities. These duties are explained on first employment at induction and also set out in an Employee Safety Handbook, given to each employee, which sets out their duties and includes our specific health and safety rules.

Approved by Governing Body on 15th June 2017.

This Health and Safety Policy Statement is reviewed at least annually by Governing Body. Any updates will be circulated to all employees.

Record of Periodic Review of our Health and Safety Policy

Our Health and Safety General Policy Statement and Safety Arrangements are reviewed at least annually. This is a record of the reviews we have undertaken. Our Health and Safety Consultant will also review our system and documentation during their routine visits to ensure that they meet current statutory requirements and good practice relevant to our business.

This record will be endorsed by all persons who carry out these annual reviews.

DATE	NAME OF REVIEWER(S)	OUTCOME (No change required or explain any required changes)
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Organisation

Health and Safety Management Structure

Although Governing Body has overall responsibility for the implementation of this policy, day to day responsibility for particular issues has been delegated to key personnel.

The management structure within our business is shown here and the allocation of day to day responsibility for particular health and safety issues is shown in the Responsibility Chart which appears later in this document.



Health and Safety Management Responsibilities

Governing Body recognises that it retains overall responsibility for health and safety matters. It also recognises that the College needs to take action in respect of the key points listed here. In managing these matters emphasis is placed on recognising hazards and potential risks and then taking steps to minimise their effects on employees and others.

General

- Provide and resource an effective health and safety management system.
- Make arrangements to consult with employees on health and safety matters.
- Arrange and maintain appropriate Employers' Liability Insurance cover.
- Ensure that health and safety implications are considered when acquiring new equipment and machinery.
- Ensure that contractors (when used) are competent and monitored during work.
- Ensure that a process is in place to identify and report hazards.
- Ensure that all employees receive appropriate health and safety training.
- Provide measures to protect the health and safety of employees working alone.
- Monitor the health and safety performance of the organisation.

Occupational Health

- Ensure that adequate procedures are in place to identify and address occupational health risks.
- Ensure that the measures required to reduce and control employees' exposure to occupational health risks are in place and used.
- Implement measures to reduce stress within the workplace.

Accidents, Incidents and First Aid

- Record accidents and incidents.
- Complete accident and incident investigations, identify causes and measures for prevention.
- Ensure that applicable injuries, diseases and dangerous occurrences are reported to the Enforcing Authority.
- Ensure that adequate first aid arrangements are in place.

Fire and Emergency Arrangements

Ensure that;

- Adequate arrangements are in place to deal with fire safety at our premises or at our member's premises.
- Employees are aware of the fire and evacuation arrangements and other emergency procedures.
- Emergency equipment is provided, tested and maintained appropriately.
- Adequate Fire Risk Assessments are completed.

Risk Assessment

Ensure that;

- Risk assessments are complete and Safe Systems of Work are produced for all activities that pose a significant risk of harm.
- Risk assessments are documented.
- The outcomes of risk assessments are carefully explained to the workforce.

Premises

- Provide a suitable and safe working environment for employees with adequate welfare facilities.
- Ensure that the fixed electrical installation is adequately installed and maintained.
- Introduce and maintain measures to control and manage the risks from asbestos.
- Ensure good housekeeping standards are instigated and maintained.
- Provide suitable and sufficient maintenance of the facilities provided within the workplace.

Equipment

Ensure that;

- All equipment provided by the organisation is suitable and properly used.
- All work equipment is adequately maintained and safe.
- Portable electrical appliances are adequately maintained, inspected and tested.
- Appropriate hand tools are provided and maintained.
- Any Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) provided gives suitable protection, is used and that employees are given information, instruction and training on its use.

Substances

Ensure that;

- All substances are used safely.
- All substances are appropriately stored.

The Responsibility Table on the next page identifies the individuals with specific health and safety responsibilities. Employees with allocated responsibilities should refer to the associated Safety Arrangements set out later in this policy document.

Monitoring

The operation of this policy and arrangements is actively monitored through the periodic review of our completed Safety Record Forms and also by using Periodic Workplace Checklists. The Domestic Bursar has overall responsibility for this, but some of the routine tasks are delegated. We also use an Annual Health and Safety Review form to determine whether our existing health and safety procedures and arrangements are adequate.

People who have delegated responsibilities under this policy will also complete Periodic Checklists of compliance with the policy and procedures arranging for remedial actions to be taken where necessary. The outcomes of these periodic reviews will also be taken into account during the annual review.

Monitoring and review help us to check the effectiveness of our Safety Management System.

Responsibility Table

The Domestic Bursar, with support from the Deputy Domestic Bursar, is responsible for overseeing the management of health and safety and fire safety.

The following individuals are responsible for the day to day management of health and safety. Their responsibilities are defined in their individual health and safety responsibilities guide.

Title	Department/area
Finance Bursar	Accounts Office
Academic Administrator	Academic Office
Development Director	Development Office
Domestic Bursar	Domestic Bursary.
Head of ICT	IT Department
Head Chef	Kitchen
Works Manager	Works Department
Head Butler/Food & Beverage Service	SCR/Hall
Manager	
JCR Bar Steward	JCR Bar
Cellarer	Cellars
Groundsman	Sports ground
Head Gardener	Gardens
HR Manager	HR Department
College Nurse	Nurse's Office
Boatperson	Boathouse
Librarian	Library
Accommodation Officer	Accommodation Office
Conference & Events Manager	Conference & Events Office
Head of Housekeeping	Housekeeping
Head Porter	Lodge
Merifield Manager	Merifield and Lathbury Road
Deputy Domestic Bursar	Student events

Note:

Individuals with delegated responsibilities for health and safety issues should ensure that the required risk assessments and safety records are completed, either by them or by others and that the required control measures are implemented when work activities take place.

Where more than one person has been assigned responsibility to a particular subject, each should ensure that they have fulfilled their responsibilities in the areas under their control and completed the relevant records. Together they need to check that collectively the College has covered all aspects of safety management for the subject.

Relevant Legislation

In most cases Health and Safety legislation requires common sense, reasonably practicable precautions to avoid the risk of injury or ill-health at work. Our Health and Safety Management System does not quote specific legal references; giving instead the information and detail of what is required in practice to secure compliance. If the guidance and requirements of our Health and Safety Management System are adopted compliance with the legal requirements will be achieved.

This page sets out, for the record, details of the main statutes and regulations affecting health and safety at work that were in force when this policy was prepared. The BusinessSafe Online Reference Library contains a similar list which will always be up to date. The document is titled 'Health and Safety Legislation (UK).

Not every piece of the legislation will apply to our operation on a day to day basis, but we need to be aware of them should circumstances change.

Further detail and access to the specific wording of each of these legal requirements is available from the BusinessSafe 24 Hour Advice Service on 0844 892 2785.

- Building Regulations 2010 (as amended)
- European Regulation (EC) No 2016/425/2016 on Personal Protective Equipment
- European Regulation (EC) No 2008/1272 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures
- European Regulation (EC) No 2003/2003 concerning the export and import of dangerous chemicals, as amended
- Classification, Labelling and Packaging of Chemicals (Amendments to Secondary Legislation) Regulations 2015
- Confined Spaces Regulations 1997
- Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015
- Control of Artificial Optical Radiation at Work Regulations 2010
- Control of Asbestos Regulations 2012
- Control of Electromagnetic Fields at Work Regulations 2016
- Control of Lead at Work Regulations 2002
- Control of Major Accident Hazard Regulations 2015
- Control of Noise at Work Regulations 2005
- Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 2002 (as amended)
- Control of Vibration at Work Regulations 2005
- Dangerous Substances and Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2002
- Electricity at Work Regulations 1989
- Employers Liability (Compulsory Insurance) Regulations 1998 (as amended)
- Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children Act 1920.
- Equality Act 2010
- Furniture and Furnishings (Fire) (Safety) Regulations 1988 (as amended)
- Gas Appliances (Safety) Regulations 1995 (as amended)

- Gas Safety (Installation and Use) Regulations 1998
- Gas Safety (Management) Regulations 1996
- Hazardous Waste Regulations 2005 (as amended)
- Health and Safety Offences Act 2008
- Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974
- Health and Safety (Consultation with Employees) Regulations 1996
- Health and Safety (Display Screen Equipment) Regulations 1992
- Health and Safety (First Aid) Regulations 1981 (as amended)
- Health and Safety Information for Employees Regulations 1989 (as amended)
- Health and Safety (Safety Signs and Signals) Regulations 1996 (as amended)
- Health and Safety (Sharp Instruments in Healthcare) Regulations 2013.
- Health and Safety (Training for Employment) Regulations 1990
- Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (General Duties of Self-Employed Persons) (Prescribed Undertakings) Regulations 2015
- Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations 1998
- Lifts Regulations 1997
- Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999 (as amended)
- Manual Handling Operations Regulations 1992 (as amended)
- Personal Protective Equipment at Work Regulations 2002
- Pressure Systems Safety Regulations 2000
- Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations 1998
- The Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals Regulations 2007 (REACH)
- Regulatory Reform Fire Safety Order 2005
- Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations 2013
- Safety Representatives and Safety Committees Regulations 1977
- Work at Height Regulations 2005 (as amended)
- Workplace (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations 1992
- Working Time Regulations 1998 (as amended)

Safety Arrangements Table

Ref. Number	Title
Ref. Number	litie
SA1-1	Managing Safety & Health at Work
SA1-3	Accident, Incident, III Health Reporting and Investigation
SA1-5	Workplace H&S Consultation - One-to-one
SA1-6	Risk Assessment and Hazard Reporting
SA1-7	Occupational Health and Health Surveillance
SA1-8	Substance & Alcohol Abuse
SA1-9	Purchasing
SA1-11	New and Expectant Mothers
SA1-12	Employing Children & Young Persons
SA1-12	Lone Working
SA1-14	Health & Safety Training
SA1-15	Health & Safety of Visitors
SA1-17	Personal Protective Equipment
SA1-18	Home Working
SA1-19	Employing Agency and Temporary Staff
SA1-20	Safe Systems of Work
SA1-21	Action on Enforcing Authority Reports
SA1-22	Equality and Disability Discrimination Compliance
SA1-23	H&S Information for Employees
SA 2-1	Fire Safety - Arrangements and Procedures
SA3-1	First Aid
SA3-2	Welfare, Staff Amenities, Rest Rooms & the Working Environment
SA3-3	Housekeeping and Cleaning
SA3-4	Pest Control
SA3-5	Building Services
SA3-6	The Control of Hazardous & Non Hazardous Waste
SA3-9	Access, Egress, Stairs & Floors
SA3-10	Windows, Glass & Glazing in the Workplace
SA3-11	Workplace Signs
SA3-13	Working in the Open Air
SA3-14	Water Temperature Control
SA3-15	Premises
SA4-1	Electrical Safety
SA4-2	The Provision, Use & Maintenance of Work Equipment
SA4-3	Hand Tools
SA4-4	Office Equipment
SA4-8	Slips, Trips & Falls
SA4-9	Special Events
SA4-11	The Safe Use of Machinery
SA4-13	Abrasive Wheels
SA4-16	Pressure Systems
SA4-17	Lifting Equipment & Lifting Operations
SA4-19	Lifts
SA4-20	Work at Height
SA4-21	Access Equipment
SA4-22	Permits to Work
SA4-23	Hot Work
SA4-31	Occupational Road Safety
SA4-33	Water Hazards
SA4-35	Safety in Food Preparation Environments
SA4-37	Safety Harnesses, Lanyards & Fall Arrest Equipment
SA5-1 SA5-2	Hand Arm Vibration
SA5-2 SA5-4	Whole Body Vibration Infection Control
SA5-4 SA5-5	Working Time, Night Work and Shift Working
SA5-5 SA5-9	Manual Handling
SA5-9 SA5-11	Display Screen Equipment & DSE User Eye Tests & Spectacles
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- SA5-12 Legionella Control
- SA5-14 Use of Chemical Agents & Substances
- SA5-15 Horticultural Chemicals & Substances
- SA5-16C Asbestos at Work-ACMs Present & Off Site Risk
- SA5-17 Control of Noise at Work
- SA5-18 Stress in the Workplace
- SA5-19 Aggression & Violence in the Workplace
- SA7-2 Contractor Control & Management
- SA7-3 Roof Work
- SA7-4a CDM Client