

Disco Risk Assessment

Activity Disco Activity Session

- What are the hazards?
- Heavy Equipment, Lifting, Manual Handling
 - Electrical Equipment
 - Trip Hazards, cables
 - Equipment Failure, Falling Over
 - Loud Music
 - Strobes Lights
 - Poor Lighting
 - Hot equipment
 - Group behaviour

Who is at risk? Staff, participants and members of the public.

What are the risks?	Existing safety measures/controls	Likelihood	Risk Rating
Risk of electrocution from equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Every electrical appliance, plug and cable undergoes a 3-year PAT test. • All cables and plugs are stowed out of reach from all disco users. • Disco light switches are operated by the DJ who has the relevant training. • Staff to check equipment before use. 	LOW	LOW
Trip hazards around the booth and in the hall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All cables are wrapped around an existing structure above head height. • Any cables on the booth are stowed out of reach of the users. • A barrier will be put up around the booth to ensure users are at a safe distance. • The hall is cleared prior to the disco of any hazards. 	LOW	LOW
Equipment Failure, falling over due to pushing or pulling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The equipment is tested by the manufacturer to hold the weight of the lights. • To ensure no contact with the booth by the guests, a barrier is placed around the booth to keep people out of the way. 	LOW	LOW
Hearing damage from loud music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DJ's are aware of the acceptable levels on the amplifier. • The speakers are situated above the crowd, which in turn, means that the levels can be kept low. 	LOW	LOW

Setting off Epileptic Seizures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DJ's are aware of the 20 second rule for strobe lighting. This is the maximum time a strobe can be used continuously and a gap of at least 60 seconds must exist between uses. Groups are pre-warned that there will be flashing lights and lights do not need to be used if it could be a problem. 	LOW	LOW
injures due to lack of light	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The lights from the disco provide adequate light to be able to see potential hazards. 	LOW	LOW
Burn from equipment (lights)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The light to be put out of reach of participants or if not possible brief participants to stay clear of the lights. First aid kit and staff trained. 	LOW	LOW
Poor group behaviour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DJ to warn group if they continue to misbehave the disco will stop DJ may stop the disco if the group acts in manner that could cause harm. Good group awareness by DJ Group leader in the room. 	LOW	LOW

Reference to other manuals assessments:

- Avon Tyrrell reference and training folder
- UK Youth Health and Safety policy

When was the assessment reviewed and by whom?

- November 2017 Chief Instructor

Date of next review and to be done by whom?

- November 2018 Chief Instructor