

Home Economics - No.32 Home Economics Room - General Considerations (List additional hazards, risks and controls particular to your school using the blank template no.69)

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Obstructed access/ egress Damaged flooring		Slips, trips and falls	H	Walkways and fire exit routes kept free from obstruction. See 'General School Risk Assessments - No.12 Slips, Trips, and Falls'				
			H	Pupil belongings, project materials, teaching materials etc. stored safely				
			H	Damaged flooring likely to cause trip hazard repaired or replaced				
Accessing high windows		Injury due to over reaching Falls	M	Window pole or step ladder used to open windows at height that do not have opening mechanism at ground level				
Use of sewing machine		Puncture wounds	L	Pupils instructed on safe use of sewing machine and correct storage of needles				
Inadequate first-aid provisions		Delayed treatment of injuries	M	Appropriately stocked first-aid kit in Home Economics room under teacher supervision				
			M	Details of trained first-aider available to all employees and pupils. See 'General School Risk Assessment - No.19 First-Aid'				
Exposure to hazardous cleaning chemicals		Dermatitis/ allergy	H	Only non hazardous cleaning chemicals used				
			H	Personal protective equipment (PPE) provided and used where necessary				
			H	Room is appropriately ventilated				

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Gas		Fire Explosion	H	Teachers aware of location of main gas shut off point				
			H	Gas shut off when room not in use				
			H	Gas leak detection system in place and serviced as required				
Fire		Burns Smoke inhalation Death	H	Fire blanket located close to potential sources of fire, e.g. toaster				
			H	Fire detection system is in place				
			H	Washer and dryer not left on overnight				
			H	Lint removed from dryer regularly				
			H	All teachers aware how to raise the alarm and contact the emergency services				
			H	Teachers and pupils are informed about evacuation procedures from home economics room and participate in fire drills				

If there is one or more **High Risk (H)** actions needed, then the risk of injury could be high and immediate action should be taken.
Medium Risk (M) actions should be dealt with as soon as possible. **Low Risk (L)** actions should be dealt with as soon as practicable.

Risk Assessment carried out by: _____

Date: / /