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| Checklist: Part A - General Application (First Aid) Regulations 2007 | | |
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| Equipment/facilities Do we provide and maintain suitably marked and easily accessible first-aid equipment? Is the equipment adequate to enable first aid to be given? Have we ensured that the equipment available to our first aiders is adequate, taking into account the size and hazards of our workplace? Does the size and scale of our undertaking require the provision of one or more first aid rooms? If so, is/are the first aid room/s fitted with essential first aid equipment and facilities? Is the first aid room easily accessible for stretchers? | Yes No Yes No | |
| Number of first-aiders Have we designated in each of our workplaces the number of first-aiders necessary to give first aid? Have we ensured that the number of first-aiders is adequate, taking into account the size and hazards of the workplace? If our first-aider is absent in temporary or exceptional circumstances, have we designated a person to take charge of injured or ill persons? | Yes No Yes No Yes No | |
| Training Have we ensured that our first-aiders' training is adequate, taking into account the size and hazards of our workplace? | Yes No | |
| Information Have we included in our safety statement details of the arrangements made for the provision of first aid, to include the names of first-aiders, the location of first aid rooms and equipment? Are the names, addresses and telephone numbers of the local emergency services clearly displayed at each workplace? Checklist: Part B – HSA Guidelines (August 2008) | Yes No | |
| Protection of first-aiders Are our first-aiders aware of and protected from the risks of infection, such as Hepatitis B or HIV? | Yes No | |
| As a minimum, every workplace should have at least one first aid box: do we have at least one? Do we have an adequate number of first aid boxes? Do our first aid boxes contain the contents recommended by the HSA? Do we have first aid travel kit boxes? Do we ensure drugs/medicines are not stored in first aid boxes? If tap water is not available for eye irrigation, have we provided sterile water or sterile normal saline (0.9%) in sealed disposable containers? Are there any special hazards at our workplaces and if so, have we provided equipment and/or antidotes appropriate to the hazard? For employees working away from the workplace, who use dangerous tools or substances, have we provided appropriate equipment/antidotes in the travel kit? Have we provided a first aid travel kit to workers in isolated locations or more than one hour's travelling time from the workplace? | Yes No | |

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| Are first aid boxes/travel kits under the control of first aiders? | Yes No |
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| If not under such control, is the person in control of first aid boxes/travel kits named in our safety statement? | Yes No |
| Do we check first aid boxes regularly to ensure items are in good condition and not out of date? | Yes No |
| Are our first aid boxes made of material which will protect contents from contamination? | Yes No |
| Are first aid boxes clearly identifiable: white cross on green background? | Yes No |
| Can first aid dressing be applied in a way that the user does not touch the wound? | Yes No |
| Is first aid equipment sited near employees? | Yes No |
| Is soap and water available and if not, have individual wrapped moist cleansing wipes been supplied? | Yes No |
| Have we considered the use of automated external defibrillators (AEDs), as recommended by the HSA? | Yes No |
| If we have an AED, have employees other than first-aiders been trained in its use? | Yes No |
| Facilities | |
| Have we identified in our safety statement whether we need a first aid room or first aid rooms? | Yes No |
| In considering whether or not we need a first aid room, have we taken account of the size of the premises, type of activity, frequency of accidents, special hazards and distance from nearest medical facility? | ☐ Yes ☐ No |
| Has an occupational first aider been appointed to be in charge of the first aid room, to ensure it is kept stocked, clean and ready for use? | Yes No |
| Is the occupational first-aider available at all times when employees are at work? | Yes No |
| Is the occupational first aid room as close as possible for access of transport to hospital? | Yes No |
| Is the room large enough to accommodate: - a couch, with space for people to work around it, and a chair? - an ambulance trolley, stretcher, wheelchair, or carrying chair? | Yes No |
| Is the first aid room equipped with sink, hot and cold running water, bowl/basin, drinking water and disposal drinking vessels, soap, paper towels, refuse containers, clean protective garments? | Yes No |
| Do we have a first aid treatment book in the room? | Yes No |
| Is the first aid room heated, ventilated, clearly identified and does it have a phone? | Yes No |
| Are there suitable waiting facilities near the room for employees waiting for treatment? | Yes No |
| Is a list of occupational first aiders and their locations attached to the door of the room? | Yes No |
| Number of and access to first-aiders | |
| In relation to our workplace, is the number of first-aiders in accordance with the HSA's | □ Vaa □ Na |
| recommended number of first-aiders? | Yes No |
| Are first-aiders sited so as to be accessible throughout our workplace? | ☐ Yes ☐ No |
| Have we effective means of communicating with first-aiders? | Yes No |
| Are we aware that in relation to the temporary absence of the occupational first-aider, the HSA does not regard foreseeable absences as being temporary or exceptional circumstances? | Yes No |
| Is our workplace more than one hour's travelling time from medical assistance? If it is, we need to double the number of first-aiders in each category recommended by the HSA. | Yes No |
| Where employees are working in isolated locations or travelling long distances in remote locations, one of the working party should be a first-aider. Have we arranged this? | Yes No |

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| Records | |
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| Do we keep details, in the format recommended by the HSA, of all cases treated by first-aiders? | Yes No |
| At the workplace, do we have written records of the dates on which first-aiders obtained their certificates of competence? | Yes No |
| Training | |
| To become an occupational first-aider a person must be trained to FETAC Level 5 standard. Have all our first-aiders been trained to that standard? | Yes No |
| Do any of our occupational first-aiders require re-certification training? | Yes No |
| Do we employ an in-house occupational first-aid instructor and if so, does that person hold a FETAC Level 6 standard qualification or can that person demonstrate sufficient competence and experience without the need to attend training for occupational first aid instructors? | Yes No |
| Where there are specific or unusual hazards, have our occupational first-aiders received additional or specialised training? | Yes No |
| Communications/contacts | |
| Have we effective means of communications with occupational first aiders? | Yes No |
| Have we adequate emergency plans and procedures? | Yes No |
| Do we have contact details for the emergency services? | Yes No |
| Do we maintain contact with the local ambulance officer and emergency services, especially if our work is hazardous? | Yes No |

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