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Apparatus:
(BLOCK LETTERS PLEASE)

WATER WALKERS

Venue/Location

Activities covered by this assessment:

SETTING UP AND OPERATION OF THE APPARATUS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MANUFACTURERS OPERATIONS MANUAL.

Max number of people at risk:

Users: 4 AT A TIME

Staff: 2

Significant Hazards:

As with any activities associated with water, special care and consideration must be given to supervision of children and onlookers not actually participating in activity at any given time.

It must be stressed to the even organisers that the EVENT STAFF provided by us are there primarily to supervise and operate the apparatus as safely as possible. They cannot be expected to supervise children when waiting to participate unless specifically contracted to do so.

Hazard Level A*

H

M

L

Effects of hazard:

1. Suffocation – Each ball is filled with air from an external electric fan. The participant enters the ball which is then sealed. There is a 5 minute time limit for each participant inside the waterwalker before 'called in' for changeover.
2. Drowning. Special attention must be paid to other participants around water when operating water walkers. THERE MUST BE adequate supervision by an adult not involved in the operation of the waterwalkers AT ALL TIMES.
3. Electricution – The Electric blower must not be located near the water. MINIMUM distance 5m. There is sufficient blower tube from the blower to the waterwalkers to provide safe inflation.

Action taken to reduce risk:

1. Each user is timed. Ideally, the water walkers are filled with air and set off at the same time which facilitates easy management of the activity.
2. SUPERVISION! SUPERVISION! SUPERVISION! At all times there must be an adult present to supervise children near water. Once the user is inside the waterwalker, there is almost zero chance of drowning as the ball is sealed from the inside and out. When operated properly, during operation, very little water enters the waterwalker.
3. Electrical hazard – Fan. The fan is moved as far as possible from water's edge and if possible, secured by a restraining device to any heavy or immovable object. (DiningTable etc)

Risk Factor B* (Tick)

Likely/frequently (H)

Probable High (H)

Possible Medium (M)

Remote (L)

Improbable Low (L)

Risk Factor Criteria:

Likely/Frequent	Occuring Repeatedly, very likely to happen
Probable	Anticipated – Will occur several times
Possible	Could occur some of the time
Remote	Unlikely but conceivable
Improbable	So unlikely that probability is close to zero

Use Hazard Level from previous page (A*) and Risk Factor above (B*) to determine the overall risk assessment from the following table:

Risk Factor Table:

A*	B*	A*	B*	A*	B*
H	+	H	=	H	
M	+	H	=	H	
H	+	M	=	H	
M	+	M	=	M	
H	+	L	=	M	
M	+	L	=	M	
L	+	L	=	L	

Overall Risk Assessment:

1. Water Walkers are an extremely safe activity in themselves and there have been no reported incidents of injury or death whilst participating in the activity. The above risks, when properly managed are considered to be LOW.

Further Action:

Upon setting up the apparatus ready for use, everyone in the vicinity of the activity is made aware of the activities and staff shall constantly monitor and brief participants accordingly.

Signed:

Date:

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