

FARMAGGEDON 2018
RISK ASSESSMENT FOR VISITING GROUPS

Date: August 2018		Review Date: August / September 2018 Daily during October		Assessors: Sarah Bennett, Mark Edwards, Richard Pope, Kate Lawlor		Areas covered by risk assessment: 1) General site 2) Haunt 1: "Terror on the Farm" 3) Haunt 2: "The Meat Locker" 4) Haunt 3: "Contagion" 5) Zombie Outlaw				
Hazard No:	Significant Hazards	Persons Affected	Existing Controls	Level of Risk			Further Action Required			
				High	Med	Low				

1	Minor injuries such as cuts, grazes, bumps & bruises caused by colliding with people & fixed objects while moving over uneven floors, in dark, twisting corridors with low ceilings and sound & light effects & on grass, gravel & tarmac which can become wet and slippery in adverse weather while escaping from zombies inside & outside of the haunts.	All customers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - White lines marked on uneven floors. - Signs discouraging running located around the site. - Recommended on website Q&A section & on signage around the site & outside haunts that high heels should not be worn and that some of the event (Zombie Outlaw) is outdoors. - Haunts not suitable for wheelchair users & others with mobility issues, although they are welcome to come on site & a concessionary rate is available. - Warning signs displayed outside each haunt. - First aid provision available. 				X	Daily review & monitoring
2	More serious injuries such as injury from serious fright, loud noise, flashing & strobe lighting & smoke machines inside & outside the haunts; and other special effects on site.	Customers with existing medical conditions: heart problems, pregnant women, those prone to epileptic fits or with respiratory problems & mobility problems.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Warning signs up outside each haunt detailing what special effects the haunt includes & those persons it is not suitable for. - Q&A section on website explaining hazards and those who the haunts are not suitable for including age restrictions: www.farmagggedon.com - Video clips available from links on website giving an idea of what to expect. - Evacuation procedures in place in each haunt in case of emergency - First aid provision available. 				X	Daily review & monitoring
3	Young people becoming frightened by the zombies & special effects in the haunts and on the park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Young people - Staff dealing with the frightened, unaccompanied minors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Signs in the car park stating that an adult (over 18) must accompany all those aged under 15. - Checks at the gate & at the door that all minors are accompanied by an adult & entry refused if necessary. - Ticket booking process includes a screen stating that those under 15 will not be allowed entry without an adult. 				X	Daily review & monitoring

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		- Other customers	- ID checks in place. - Age restrictions on all literature, advertising & website including Q&A section recommending a minimum age of 15 years for the event. - Emergency exits located within the haunts if someone needs to be taken out and staff in haunts trained to be alert and deal with this.				
4	Trouble from groups leading to accidents & potential discomfort/ injury to other customers.	- Other customers - Staff - Actors	- All minors to be accompanied by an adult - Code of conduct issued to all groups prior to the event which must be signed by the group leader prior to the event. - Signs around the site informing customers that alcohol, & potentially dangerous objects (umbrellas, large bags etc.) are not allowed in the haunts. - Amnesty bin at entrance for alcohol & potentially dangerous objects. - Licensed door staff on duty each night. - Bag searches in place on entry by licensed door staff (SIA) - On admission, rules are displayed to all customers re: smoking in designated area, no flash photography in haunts, no touching the actors & they won't touch you, no trouble or you're out. - Smoking is only permitted in the designated area. - Security staff patrolling the site to deal with trouble makers and assist customers. - Emergency exit within the haunts in case troublemakers need to be removed from a haunt. - Groups persistently causing trouble / breaking the rules will be asked to leave the site.			X	Daily review & monitoring
5	Equipment failure in haunts & on site leading to restricted movement, panic & injury	- Customers on site - Actors in the haunts - Staff on site	- Daily checks of equipment made before & after use. - Maintenance staff on call throughout the evening. - Fire & emergency evacuation procedures in place. - Fire detection & alarm system in place throughout the site.			X	Daily review & monitoring

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			- Fire fighting equipment available & staff trained to use it. - Emergency lighting installed throughout the site. - 1 st aid provision available								
6	Zombie Outlaw: Misuse of paintball guns, inappropriate behaviour on the trailer ride all of which could put others at risk from injury.	- All at Zombie Outlaw	- Zombie Outlaw run to a very strict almost military format - Customers told what to do and what not to do via clear instructions & demonstrations. - Anyone not following the rules or causing trouble will be removed from the ride / area. - Staff on trailer ride to issue instructions & deal with problems			X	Daily review & monitoring				

Level of Risk

HIGH: Immediate action required

MEDIUM: Monitor situation & events daily & implement changes if/as incidents occur

LOW: Monitor situation & events daily & re-assess if/as incidents occur

Notes:

- This risk assessment has been prepared by the staff of Farmagggedon as a general guide for visiting groups.
- Further information can be found in the Question & Answer section of the Farmagggedon website: www.farmagggedon.com along with the Access Statement for the event.
- It must be remembered that Farmagggedon is a live performance and each night has the potential to be a slightly different experience for those attending.
- It is also impossible to know how people will react in and to situations until they actually experience them.
- We suggest that all group members have the mobile phone number of the adult responsible for their group in their phone in case of emergency or separation.
- We suggest that any group members with respiratory conditions bring inhalers and any necessary medication with them.
- We recommend, based on past experience that group leaders be prepared for individuals to become upset and need escorting off site as soon as possible. Groups should ensure that they have sufficient adults to escort "distressed" individuals back to their vehicle and supervise them there without affecting the supervision requirements of those remaining on site.