Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway Plc
Risk Assessment for Public Driving Locos at Gala Events - Steam Loco

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Galas sometimes utilise 'Driver for £xx' experiences to allow the public a very short driving experience and to help raise funds. This RA explores the risks in such activities and outlines control measures.

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Type	Hazard Cause	Persons Affected	Control Measures	L S T Overall	Additional Control Measures	L S T Overall	Owner/Action
Health and Safety	Injury to persons or damage to infrastructure Inattention or unfamiliarity	Everyone	1) Engineering: Firebox door to be kept closed. - Effective 2) Engineering: Blower to remain on. - Effective 3) Engineering: External cab doors to be closed where fitted. - Effective 4) CRITICAL - Administrative: Only persons who are able bodied may participate. - Effective 5) CRITICAL - Administrative: Minimum age of 18 years old. - Effective 6) CRITICAL - Administrative: Persons must not be under the influence of drugs, alcohol or medicines etc. - Effective 7) CRITICAL - Administrative: Persons must read, agree and sign to follow a terms and conditions document. - Effective 8) CRITICAL - Administrative: Experiences are only available a times when no service trains are at platforms in the station location. - Effective 9) CRITICAL - Administrative: The driver will deliver a short health and safety briefing at the start of the experience as well as a basic description of the loco controls. - Effective 10) CRITICAL - Administrative: The GWSR Rule Book will be obeyed at all times. - Effective 11) CRITICAL - Administrative: The GWSR driver will issue instructions on how to drive and position themselves so as to be able to take over if an issue arises. - Effective 12) CRITICAL - Administrative: The loco crew must pay particular attention not to perform any duties or actions that might put persons at risk. - Effective 13) CRITICAL - Administrative: Slip, trip and fall hazards should be identified and pointed out to persons. - Effective 14) CRITICAL - Administrative: Persons to be advised of where to hold on so as to remain upright and steady. - Effective 15) CRITICAL - Administrative: Train crew to advise persons on risk from dirt/soot. - Effective 16) CRITICAL - Administrative: Persons should be dressed sensibly with arms and legs covered. - Effective 17) CRITICAL - Administrative: Drivers to make persons aware of hot surfaces. - Effective 18) CRITICAL - Administrative: Footplate housekeeping to be in good order during experiences. - Effective 19) CRITICAL - Administrative: Footplate crew to be aware of potential physical limitations of persons. - Effective 20) CRITICAL - Administrative: Persons must not lean outside of the confines of the footplate area. - Effective 21) CRITICAL - Administrative: A member of GWSR staff must be on the ground/platform to supervise entering and leaving the footplate. - Effective 22) PPE: Gloves or a cloth may be required to protect persons hands. - Effective 23) CRITICAL - PPE: A first aid kit must be available on the footplate. - Effective	1 x 2 = 2 Low - Risk to be monitored to ensure it remains adequately controlled to an acceptable level.	None	n n n	n/a

COSHH Assessments

There are no COSHH assessments associated with this risk assessment.

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