

# HEALTH AND SAFETY PROGRAM





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In accordance with the Health and Safety Act and other relevant legislation, VOCEC's Board of Directors, Manager, Support Workers and Supervisors are vitally interested in the health and safety of the participants of the rehabilitation program hereinafter referred to as Business Associates. VOCEC is dedicated to providing a safe environment for all participants of the program.

VOCEC will make every effort to provide a safe, healthy recovery environment. All Business Associates, Support Workers, and Community Partners, must be dedicated to the continuing objective of reducing risk of injury.

VOCEC, as a rehabilitation program, is ultimately responsible for the health and safety of its Business Associates. All VOCEC Business Associates will comply with their duties under relevant legislation and will take every reasonable precaution for the protection of Business Associates in the program.

Business Associates in supervisory roles, including Support Workers and the Program Manager, will be held accountable for the health and safety of participants in the program under their supervision. Support Workers are subject to various duties, including the duty to ensure that machinery and equipment are safe and that Business Associates work in compliance with established safe work practices and procedures.

Everyone must contribute to protecting his or her own health and safety by working in compliance with the law and with safe work practices and procedures established by VOCEC. Business Associates will receive information, training and competent supervision in their rehabilitation journey to protect their health and safety.

It is in the best interest of all parties to consider health and safety in every activity. Commitment to health and safety is an integral part of VOCEC.

There is a Health and Safety program that accompanies this policy. The Health and Safety Program outlines the responsibilities of individuals and groups at VOCEC.

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Board Of Directors:	



# Health and Safety Program

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# This Program accompanies the Health and Safety Policy and outlines the responsibilities of individuals and groups at VOCEC.

#### Responsibilities of Business Associates:

- Report any unsafe acts, unsafe conditions, hazards, illness or injury caused while participating in the program (no matter how minor) to Support Workers immediately
- Use personal protection and safety equipment when required
- Work and act in a way that wont hurt themselves or others, understand and follow all safe work procedures
- Do not use or operate any equipment, machine or device without proper training or in a manner that may endanger himself/herself or any other worker
- Do not engage in any prank, contest, or feat of strength, unnecessary running, or rough conduct
- Business associates also have the right to refuse assignments they believe may be dangerous

#### Responsibilities of Lead Hands or those in a supervisory role:

In addition to responsibilities of Business Associates:

- Ensure Business Associates are aware of all hazards and dangers in the workplace and follow safe work practices
- Correct unsafe acts and unsafe conditions
- Ensuring that only authorized, adequately trained Business Associates operate equipment
- Inspect own area and take action to minimize or eliminate hazards
- Do everything reasonable to keep workers from getting hurt or sick on the job

#### Responsibilities of Support Workers and Program Manager:

- Take all reasonable precautions to protect the health and safety of Business Associates
- Provide Business Associates with information including potential hazards and dangers in the workplace, instruction, and supervision to protect health and safety
- Ensure materials and protective devices, equipment and personal protective equipment are provided, used, and maintained in good condition
- Develop safe work procedures where necessary and ensure they carried out
- Ensure that any designated substances are properly labeled and that current SDS sheets are available in accordance with relevant legislation
- Where required, ensure that Business associates receive WHMIS training
- Report and investigate all accidents/incidents
- Promoting safety awareness in Business Associates
- Ensure that Business Associates receive proper first aide in the event of an incident /accident
- Facilitate the ongoing functions of the Joint Health and Safety Committee in accordance with relevant legislation
- Report any critical injury sustained by a business associate to the Board of Directors

#### Incident Reporting:

- Incident reports must be filled out whenever first aid is administered or a near-miss occurs
- Incident reports are then reviewed by the JHSC as a standing agenda item
- Personal and identifying information will be removed prior to review by the JHSC



VOCEC is committed to providing a rehabilitation environment in which all individuals are treated with respect and dignity.

Harassment will not be tolerated from any person in the program. Everyone in the program must be dedicated to preventing harassment. Participants of the program, hereinafter referred to as "Business Associates", Support Workers, Contractors, Customers and the Program Manager are expected to uphold this policy.

#### Harassment Definition:

Engaging in a course of vexatious comment or conduct against a worker in a workplace - a comment or conduct that is known or ought reasonably to be known to be unwelcome

This policy is not intended to limit or constrain the reasonable exercise of management, support or rehabilitative functions in the program. Appraisals of progression, counselling, and the proper enforcement of high standards are not contrary to this policy provided that such are applied in a non-arbitrary, non-discriminatory manner.

When behaviour is identified as an issue, the person is expected to cease that behaviour. Where an individual wishes to seek help to resolve an issue, or report an incident of harassment, they are encouraged to bring forward their concern to a Support Worker or Program Manager. Everyone is encouraged to report any incidents of harassment.

The Support Worker or Program Manager will investigate and deal with all concerns, complaints, or incidents of harassment in a fair and timely manner while respecting Business Associates' privacy as much as possible.

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In accordance with relevant legislation, VOCEC's Board of Directors, Program Manager, Support Workers and Supervisors are vitally interested in the health and safety of the participants of the rehabilitation program hereinafter referred to as "Business Associates". VOCEC will take whatever steps are reasonable to protect Business Associates from violence from all sources including domestic violence while participating in the program.

#### **Violence Definition:**

- the exercise of physical force by a person against a Business Associate, in the program, that causes or could cause physical injury;
- an attempt to exercise physical force against a Business Associate, in the program, that could cause physical injury to the Business Associate; or,
- a statement or behaviour that it is reasonable for a Business Associate to interpret as a threat to exercise physical force against the Business Associate, in the program, that could cause physical injury to the Business Associate.

Domestic violence is interpreted in a manner consistent the above definition when it may occur in the program

Violent behaviour in the program is unacceptable from anyone. This policy applies to Business Associates, Support Workers, contractors, visitors, and customers. Everyone is expected to uphold this policy and to work together to prevent violence.

Using a customized workplace violence assessment tool, VOCEC will assess the risk of violence as often as necessary but no less than once annually. VOCEC will implement controls reasonable in the circumstance to mitigate against the risk of violence identified in the assessments.

VOCEC will ensure that this policy and the supporting program are implemented and maintained and that all Business Associates have the appropriate information and instruction to protect them from violence while participating in the program.

Every Business Associate must work in compliance with this policy and the supporting program.

All Business Associates are encouraged to raise any concerns about violence and to report any violent incidents or threats.

To summon immediate assistance, workers are to notify a Business Support Worker, dial 9-911, or contact the security office directly.

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# Policy Statement:

VOCEC will make every reasonable effort to provide suitable return to work (RTW) opportunities for every participant in the program who is unable to perform his or her regular duties following an injury or illness (whether work-related or not).

# Purpose:

VOCEC will make every effort to help an injured employee to stay at work (SAW) or RTW. Wherever possible, and up to the point of undue hardship, the RTW program commits VOCEC to supply modified / accommodated duties to all participants in the program.

This procedure applies to all participants in the program with an injury, illness, or disability regardless of its cause, type or nature which results in an absence from work.

# Roles and Responsibilities:

#### VOCEC

- Arrange for first-aid immediately
- Pay for transportation for medical care, if needed
- Pay wages for the day of injury
- Using a form 7, Report injury / illness to the WSIB within three days if: Business Associate requires healthcare treatment, time off work
- Contact Business Associate as soon as possible after the injury
- Maintain Communication through recovery and RTW
- Attempt to provide suitable work (Refer to RTW Plan)
- Develop RTW Plan consistent with Functional Abilities
- Share a copy of the RTW Agreement with Business Associate, Relevant Support workers, and the WSIB (if applicable)
- Provide a RTW package to the Business Associate (doctor letter, functional abilities form (FAF), date of meeting to RTW, RTW plan) as applicable.
- In consultation with Business Associate, develop a RTW plan that is consistent with Functional Abilities as outlined on FAF
- Monitor progress of Business Associate's modified duties as often as necessary
- Ensure medical follow-up is obtained at pre-arranged schedule (as determined in the RTW plan)



# Return To Work Policy and Procedure

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#### Support Worker

- Advise the Business Associate of the availability of transitional work and provide required forms
- Assist in the creation of, and support the Business Associate's RTW plan
- Maintain communication with Business Associate on modified duties and monitor progress and the effectiveness of the plan
- Inform other Business Associates in the department as may be required
- Communicate and assist in the evaluation of the plan's effectiveness through regular meetings scheduled with the Business Associate
- Communicate with injured Business Associate on a regular basis to determine effectiveness of RTW plan

#### **Business Associate:**

- Report any injury/illness to Support Worker or Program Manager
- Be in regular contact with Support Worker / Program Manager
- Take an active role in developing the RTW plan
- Communicate any concerns to the Support Worker or Program Manager
- Obtain necessary forms from the treating health care professional, as may be required by VOCEC
- Ensure that appointments with health care professionals are continued while on modified duties (to be arranged whenever possible outside working hours
- Attend all scheduled RTW meetings
- Communicate any changes / modifications needed to the RTW plan to Support Workers / Program Manager

#### Additional considerations if injury / illness is work-related:

- Get proper medical treatment immediately and follow the recommendations of the health professional (advise health professional that injury / illness is work-related)
- Return the Form 8 and Functional Abilities Form to the workplace
- Complete Form 6 and send to the WSIB
- Cooperate with all requests for documentation as required by WSIB and VOCEC

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# Return to Work Plan

Date:	*WSIB Claim #:	
Employee Name:	*WSIB Case #:	
Business Location:		

Copy to be provided to (list relevant support workers):

PRE-INJURY JOB INFORMATION	
Job Description Attached:	
Job Tasks Attached:	
RETURN TO WORK GOAL	
Pre-injury Job	
Pre-injury job with accommodations	
Other-provide details	

\*Applicable only if injury occurred at work and reported to WSIB

FUNCTIONAL	ABILITIES			
Functional	Abilities Attached:	Yes	No	—
lf no, date	when they will be completed:			
TREATREAT	MENT SCHEDULE			
Treating H	ealth Professionals			
Name:		Name:		
Title:		Title:		
Phone		Phone		
Date(s) of	Next Appointment:			
Date FAF e	xpires / renews:			

WORK SCHEDULE

Week with Date	Days of the week	Hours	Specific Duties

The following duties are to be avoided—if assigned, notify appropriate support worker for help.

#### SIGNATURES

By signing this agreement, I hereby agree:

- To abide by the restrictions outlined in the attached Functional Abilities Form—both while at work and outside work.
- To discuss any concerns regarding work assignments first with support workers and then, failing full resolution, with the program manager.
- For support workers to communicate restrictions outlined in this agreement with colleagues to ensure work restrictions are respected.
- To report any change in symptoms or new / aggravated injury promptly.

Employee:	Date:	
Program Manager:	Date:	

Date of Next Meeting:

Copies to: Employee, Relevant Support Worker, Program Manager and WSIB (if applicable).



#### Purpose:

This procedure provides a format for ensuring that workplace inspections are conducted on a consistent basis. This standard applies to all three work areas: At The Lake Café, Breaking Ground Café, and all businesses located at 525 Montreal Street.

VOCEC is responsible for ensuring the proper application of this procedure. All Business Associates will follow the standard and participate in workplace inspections. All Business Associates have roles and responsibilities in the workplace inspection procedure. The success of this procedure relies on the participation of all Business Associates, Support Workers, and the Program Manager.

#### Roles and Responsibilities in Inspections:

1. Daily Inspections:

In addition to the monthly inspections, support Workers and Lead Hands will complete a daily visual inspection in order to identify health and safety hazards, equipment maintenance issues, hazard control effectiveness and housekeeping problems.

Business Associates are responsible for reporting any hazardous conditions that may exist the in the workplace to their Lead Hand, Support Worker of Program Manager.

2. Monthly Inspections:

Support Workers and/or the Program Manager will accompany the Business Associate Health and Safety Representative while completing monthly workplace inspections in all three work areas mentioned previously. Support workers and/or the Program Manager will ensure items to be inspected include: health and safety hazards, equipment and maintenance issues, completion of previous issues noted on past inspection forms, hazard control effectiveness, training needs, and housekeeping issues.

The inspection schedule shall be completed in December for the following year.

Monthly inspections will be documented on the *Inspection checklist*. Items marked with an "x" on the Inspection Checklist require additional documentation on the *Inspection Corrective Action* form.

#### Controlling Workplace Hazards:

Lead Hands, Support Workers and the Program Manager are to deal with hazards identified promptly, consult with others as needed, and advise Business Associates of the plan of action to resolve the matter.

Hazards identified as needing ongoing controls are to be documented on the Hazard Identification Form.

Hazard Identification Forms will be reviewed by the JHSC to determine whether a new Safe Work Procedure is warranted. Any matter not satisfactorily resolved after a reasonable period of time should be brought to the attention of the a JHSC member. JHSC committee members should review the matter with a Support Worker or the Program Manager so the issue can be thoroughly investigated.

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# Workplace Inspection Checklist

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Walking Surfaces	(OK ~ ) (Not OK X)	First Aid	(OK ) (Not OK X)	Environment	(OK ) (Not OK X)
Walkways free of obstacles		First Aid kit available at First Aid		Light levels adequate	
Cords anchored or covered		Station		Air quality adequate	
Floor coverings in good condition		First Aid kit checked quarterly		Temperature and humidity ade-	
No slip/trip hazards present		In case of injury poster posted		quate	
Warnings posted when floors are		Incident report sheets available		People dressed appropriately for the season/ work environ-	
wet			(OK)	ment	
		Shelving	(Not OK X)	Noise levels appropriate	
Furniture / Office Equipment	(Not OK X)	Secure & in good condition		Hazardous materials properly	
In acord markanical condition		Materials safely stored/stacked		stored and labeled	
Secure from tipping		Heavy items between knuckle and		טטט אופפנט מעמונמטנפ מווט כטו - rent	
		shoulder height		Housekeeping satisfactory	
		Step stools available if required		Appropriate signage posted	
				Entrances have salt(575 Mont)	
removed		Posted Information		Elitiances nave sau(JZJ MULL)	
Unnecessary items removed				Eye wash station tunctional	
		OHSA (current)		DDF	(OK )
Fire Prevention	(Not OK X)	Health and Safety Policy		1	(Not OK X)
		Workplace Violence Policy		PPE provided where required	
Extinguishers available / accessible		Harassment Policy		PPE used where required	
Extinguishers dated monthly		Prevention Starts Here poster		PPE in good condition	
Pull stations accessible		In case of injury poster		Equipment in good condition	
Electrical outlets not overloaded		First Aid Certificates (not expired)		Emplovees trained in usage	
Fire exits clear of obstruction		JHSC Names			
Fire exit signs visible and lit		Emergency Procedures (Fire)			
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	-2018	CORRECTION ACTION TAKEN	TO BE COMPLETED BY MANAGER Completed					ABOVE NOTED ACTION TAKEN Manager's signature	Date:		Class "C" Hazard	<ul> <li>Likely to cause minor injury or illness or non- disruptive property damage</li> </ul>	
	Spection Updated May 2018	SNO	Hazard Rating 1					ABOVE NOTE Man		HAZARD RATING SCALE	Class "B" Hazard	<ul> <li>Likely to cause serious injury or illness or property damage that is disruptive, but less severe than Class A</li> </ul>	
	Workplace Inspection Action Items	UNSAFE ACTS & CONDITIONS	Hazard Observed					by:	Date:		Class "A" Hazard	Likely to cause permanent disability, loss of life or body part, and/or extensive loss of equipment or material	IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUIRED
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	Incident Report	ing	Updated May 2018
	Personal Information:		
WSIB	Last Name:	First Name :	DOB:
Notification Required If:	Incident Information:		
	Location:	Date:	Time:
Medical attention other than first aid is sought	Name person Reported to:	Witnesses: Unw	vitnessed
(i.e. from doctor clinic, or hospital			
OR	First Aide Information	1:	
Time missed from work due to injury	Did person receive first aide: Yes 🗆 No 🗆 If yes, name of person :		e of person :
Health and Safety Essentials:	Medical Information:		
<u>Report any unsafe</u> working conditions	Did person go tot eh hospital, clinic or de	octor: Yes 🗆 No 🗆	If yes, when:
to support worker or manager			
<u>Report any injury</u>			
<ul> <li><u>Always wear</u> required PPE</li> </ul>	Corrective Action:		
Inspect Work Area and take action to reduce or eliminate hazards	Action taken / recommendation:		
Ask questions     and never use equipment     for which you haven't re-			
ceived training	Form filled out by:		Date:

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	Hazard Identification	Updated May 2018
	Personal Information:	
To be filled out and	Last Name: First Name :	
reviewed by the JHSC when:	Nature of Hazard:	
	Location: Date:	
Hazard identified requires ongoing control that can't be resolved immediately and completely	Proposed Controls:	
<ul> <li>Health and Safety Essentials:</li> <li>Report any unsafe working conditions to support worker or manager</li> <li>Report any injury —no matter how minor</li> <li>Always wear required PPE</li> <li>Inspect Work Area and take action to reduce or eliminate hazards</li> </ul>	Immediate Corrective Action:	
• <u>Ask questions</u> and never use equipment for which you haven't re- ceived training	Form filled out by:	Date:





# Additional Precautions:

Wear safety shoes where potential for foot injury exists

Avoid wearing clothes with buttons or flaps

Stretch before you lift heavy loads

# Safe Lifting Techniques

Safe Work Procedure

#### Hazard Description:

Improper lifting technique can lead to back, leg and arm pain. Poor technique can cause both acute injury, and serious chronic effects. Learning the

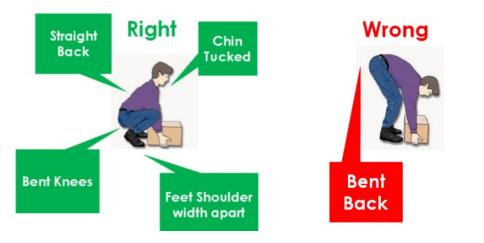
#### Before you lift:

Size up your load and check overall condition. Don't attempt the lift by yourself if the load appears to be too heavy or awkward.

#### Proper lifting technique:

- Plan ahead knowing what you're doing and where you're going will prevent you from making awkward movements
- Feet shoulder width apart- a solid base of support is important while lifting
- Bend your knees and keep your back straight
- Tuck in your chin and tighten your stomach muscles
- Lift with your legs
- Carry the load close to your body
- If you're straining- ask for help!

DO	DON't
Lift with Strong Leg Muscles	Use your back muscles to do lifting
Ask for help with Heavy and Awkward items	Twist your body while carrying an object
	Try to lift an item that is too heavy



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### Signs of Heat—Related Disorders

#### Heat Rash

Heat Cramps

Sudden Fainting

Cool, moist skin

Weak Pulse

Fatigue and feeling of weakness

Nausea / vomiting

Headache / dizziness

Confusion

**Profuse Sweating** 

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# Heat Stress

#### Safe Work Procedure

#### Hazard Description:

Working where it is hot puts stress on your body's cooling system. When heat is combined with other stresses such as hard physical work, loss of fluids, fatigue or some pre-existing medical conditions, it may lead to heat-related illness, disability and even death.



#### Acclimatization:

The longer you work in a hot environment, the better your body acclimatizes to the heat. If you are ill or away from work for a week or so you can lose your acclimatization.

#### <u>Heat Stress Plan:</u>

The following plan will be implemented during high temperature extremes:

Warning Level	Humidex Reading	Response
1	30–37° C	Heat Stress Warning Level 1 sign is posted
		• Drink extra water
		• Look for signs of heat stress
2	38–39° C	Heat Stress Warning Level 2 sign is posted
		Reduce physical activity
		• Drink extra water
		• Look for signs of heat stress
3	40° or greater	Heat Stress Warning Level 3 sign is posted
-		• Physical activity must be reduced
		• Drink Extra Water
		Look for signs of heat stress

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Heat Stress

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# WARNING LEVEL1



	Current Warning Level	Humidex Reading	Response	
	1	30–37°	Post WARNING LEVEL 1	
	•	C	<ul> <li>Drink extra water</li> </ul>	
			<ul> <li>Look for signs of heat stress</li> </ul>	
-	2	38–39° C	Post WARNING LEVEL 1	
	2	J0-J7 C	Reduce physical activity	
			• Drink extra water	
			Look for signs of heat stress	
	3	40° or greater	Post WARNING LEVEL 3	
	-	<u>-</u>	Physical activity must be reduced	
			Drink Extra Water	
			Look for signs of heat stress	

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**Heat Stress** 

Safe Work Procedure

WARNING

LEVEL 2

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# Signs of Heat—Related Disorders



		Humidex Reading	Response
	1	30–37° C	<ul><li>Post WARNING LEVEL 1</li><li>Drink extra water</li></ul>
			<ul> <li>Look for signs of heat stress</li> </ul>
ty	2	38–39° C	<ul> <li>Post WARNING LEVEL 2</li> <li>Reduce physical activity</li> <li>Drink extra water</li> <li>Look for signs of heat stress</li> </ul>
<u>ns</u>	3	40° or greater	<ul> <li>Post WARNING LEVEL 3</li> <li>Physical activity must be reduced</li> <li>Drink Extra Water</li> <li>Look for signs of heat stress</li> </ul>

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Heat Stress Safe Work Procedure

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   \_\_\_\_\_no matter how minor
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# WARNING LEVEL 3



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	Humidex Reading	Response
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2	38—39° C	<ul> <li>Post WARNING LEVEL 2</li> <li>Reduce physical activity</li> <li>Drink extra water</li> <li>Look for signs of heat stress</li> </ul>
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# Slips, Trips and Falls

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Safe Work Procedure

Updated May 2

Fall Statistics:

In Ontario, 80 workers are injured in a fall every day (one every 20 minutes)

65% of falls are "same level falls"

Anyone—in any workplace - can be the victim of a fall

#### Health and Safety Essentials:

# <u>Report any unsafe</u> <u>working conditions</u> to support worker or manager

 <u>Always wear</u> required PPE

 Inspect Work Area and take action to reduce or eliminate hazards

 <u>Ask questions</u> and never use equipment for which you haven't received training

#### Hazard Description:

Slips, trips and falls are some of the leading causes of workplace injury in Ontario. Preventing such injuries should be a key goal of everyone in the workplace.



#### Identifying and Controlling Hazards:

- Everyone must inspect their work area for potential hazards and take every precaution reasonable in the circumstances to eliminate them
- Clean spills immediately. If a liquid is greasy, ensure a suitable cleaning agent is used.
- Use appropriate barriers to warn people that the floor is wet-dry floor where possible
- Always use an appropriate ladder and ask for help when required. Never use a chair or stool as a ladder as this increases the risk of injury
- Keep the floors clean and free from debris-never block a fire exit
- Use wet floor signs when the floor is wet or drying
- Avoid cables crossing walkways. If cables must cross pedestrian routes, use cable covers or restrict access

#### <u>Common Hazards:</u>

- Slippery surfaces
- Seasonal trip hazards (snow and ice)
- Spills of wet or dry substances
- Changes of level and slopes of walkways
- Unsecured mats
- Cords, wires or cables
- Debris and items stored in pedestrian walkways
- Trailing cables in pedestrian walkways
- Smoke, steam or dust obscuring view
- Unsuitable footwear
- Poor lighting

# **Handling Cash**

Safe Work Procedure

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### Additional Precautions:

Leave the job of catching robbers to the police

#### Hazard Description:

Due to potential theft, workers who handle cash in a fixed location such as cahsiers, cafes, or the car wash may be at a higher risk of workplace violence. VOCEC is committed to providing a safe work environment for all employees when working with cash.



In the event of a robbery, your safety is paramount.

#### Never chase robber out of your place of business

Keep a low balance in cash registers

#### In Case of Robbery:

- Cooperate with the robber for your own safety and the safety of others
  - Comply with a robber's demands
- Remain calm and think clearly
- Make mental notes of the robber's physical description and other important observations
- Call 911 from nearest phone to report theft to police
- Notify support worker immediately

#### Health and Safety Essentials:

- <u>Report any unsafe</u>
   <u>working conditions</u>
   to support worker
   or manager
- <u>Report any injury</u>
   \_\_\_\_\_no matter how minor

 <u>Always wear</u> required PPE

- Inspect Work Area and take action to reduce or eliminate hazards
- Ask questions and never use equipment for which you haven't received training





Remain Calm	Try to be a hero or fight with robber
Comply with robber's de- mands	Talk except to answer the rob- ber's questions
Keep your hands visible at all times	Make any sudden moves
Count money in a safe and secure location	Count money in the open



### Disposable Gloves

- Wash hands before putting on disposable gloves
- Gloves must be discarded after each use-never reused
- Replace if torn, or after any action that might cause contamination

# Hand Hygiene

Safe Work Procedure

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#### Hazard Description:

Many food handlers fail to wash their hands thoroughly and as often as needed. If hands are not properly and frequently washed, there is an increased risk food con-





- After using the toilet (in the washroom and again in the hand wash sink prior to doing any work)
- After a meal or drink (even a sip of water from your water bottle or sip of coffee)
- After coughing, sneezing of blowing your nose
- After handling raw foods
- After smoking, Handling Money, Handling garbage, Picking something up off the floor
- Before and after handing handling foods
- Before putting away clean dishes (if you are scraping or loading the dishwasher, your hands must be cleaned before putting clean dishes away
- Any time hands feel dirty



#### Using Hand Sanitizer:

- Apply enough alcohol-based hand rub to ensure complete coverage
- Rub hands together and cover all surfaces including thumbs, between fingers, backs of hands, and under finger nails.
- Rub surfaces until completely dry (at least 15 seconds).

#### Sanitizer is not effective if hands are visibly dirty!

# How to Wash your hands:

- 1) Wet hands thoroughly with warm running water.
- 2) Apply soap.
- 3) Lather well, rubbing all hand surfaces for at least 15 seconds. Pay special attention to thumbs, between fingers, backs of hands, and under finger nails.
- 4) Rinse hands well under running water.
- 5) Dry hands with a clean towel.
- 6) Use paper towel to turn off taps and to open the door to exit a public washroom.

#### Health and Safety Essentials:

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   or manager

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# **Jewelry in Food Service**

Safe Work Procedure

Updated May 2018

# Types of Jewelry

#### • Earrings

- Watches
- Necklaces
- Rings-except simple, smooth, band rings with no stones
- Nose rings
- Bracelets
- Cufflinks
- Brooches

#### Health and Safety Essentials:

- <u>Report any unsafe</u>
   <u>working conditions</u>
   to support worker
   or manager

# <u>Always wear</u> <u>required PPE</u>

- Inspect Work Area and take action to reduce or eliminate hazards
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#### Hazard Description:

Jewelry and other physical hazards can cause choking, broken teeth, contamination of food by bacteria or other injuries to customers. Jewelry is a food safety hazard. For everyone's sake, no jewelry is permitted while serving or preparing food.



# Reasons jewelry is not permitted while serving of preparing food

- 1. Jewelry, generally speaking, is difficult to keep clean
- 2. Bacteria can live between the skin and piece of jewelry-even watches
- 3. Bacteria can live between the stone/setting in a ring
- 4. Jewelry—especially earrings and nose rings can fall into food without you noticing
- 5. Jewelry can catch on a piece of equipment and injure you

#### Special Exception:

Medical Alert bracelets should be modified to wear around the neck and underneath clothing to prevent them from falling into, or coming into contact with food

Likewise, Medical Alert necklaces should be worn under the shirt

Reasonable accommodation will be provided—talk to your support worker about what works best in the circumstance



# **Good Hygiene**

Safe Work Procedure

Updated May 2018

# Open Wounds:

If you cut yourself at work:

- 1) Report Injury
- 2) Seek first aide immediately
- 3) Clean and sanitize immediate area
- Dispose of any food that was contacted
- 5) Bandage with a clean, dry and tight fitting bandage.
- Wear a disposable glove over the bandage and change when necessary

#### Health and Safety Essentials:

# <u>Report any unsafe</u> <u>working conditions</u> to support worker or manager

- <u>Always wear</u> required PPE
- Inspect Work Area and take action to reduce or eliminate hazards

 Ask questions and never use equipment for which you haven't received training

#### Hazard Description:

All Associates working in food service must be aware and follow good hygiene practices. Good personal hygiene is a critical protective measure against foodborne illness and customers expect it.

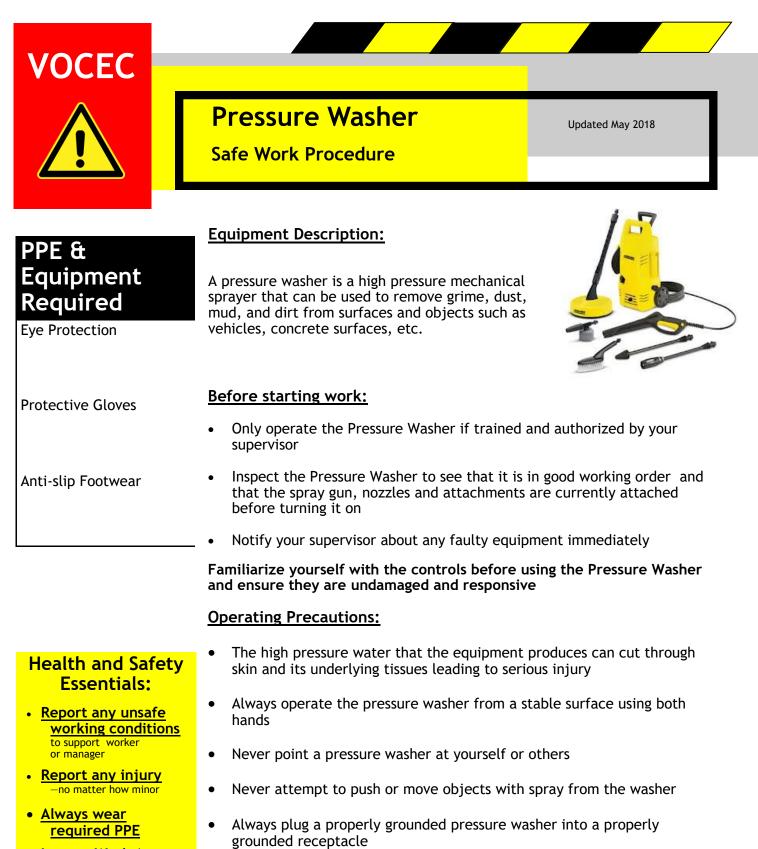




- Wear clean clothing
- Wear clean, non-slip, closed-toe shoes
- Wear hair nets while in the kitchen and café areas
- Change aprons after handling raw meats
- Bathe and wash hair before coming to work
- Brush teeth before coming to work
- Clean and trim nails



- Chew gum (it can fall out into food)
- Wear nail polish (including clear nail polish) or false nails (these can chip or fall off into food)
- **Eat or drink** when preparing food. Drinks should be kept in a designated area away from preparation areas.
- Cough or sneeze—if unavoidable, direct sneeze or cough into the bend of your elbow and always away from food
- Wear any jewelry including watches or earrings other than simple band rings
- Come to work if you are infectious with any illness. Associates with gastrointestinal related illnesses must be free from symptoms for three (3) consecutive days before returning to work.
- Work with any open or exposed wounds or cuts
- Wear your apron to the washroom



Inspect Work Area
 and take action to reduce
 or eliminate hazards

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- Ask questions
   and never use equipment
   for which you haven't re ceived training
- Always wear proper PPE when using equipment or in vicinity of use

cord connection out of any standing water

If an extension cord must be used, keep the pressure washer's power



# Washing Special Vehicles

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Safe Work Procedure

PPE & Equipment Required

Slip-resistant footwear

Eve protection—when using pressure washer

Mobile Steps-when washing exterior of tall vehicles

Hazard Description:





Washing certain types of vehicles (wheel chair buses, pick-up trucks, SUVs, boats etc.) may put you at increased risk of injury. Special care is required.

#### Before starting work:

- Inspect vehicle for potential hazards (e.g. potential trip or fall hazards, vehicle damage etc.) and share with your team
- If required to enter a vehicle, take time to familiarize yourself with its interior
- Ensure work area is clear from clutter of obstructions

#### When Cleaning a special vehicle:

- If required to clean the exterior of a tall vehicle, ensure the proper use of rolling ladders (refer to rolling ladders safe work procedure)
- When using the mobile staircase ensure you practice safe ladder techniques (refer to ladder training safe work procedure)

#### Special circumstance–Accessible buses

- Accessible buses often have cleats on the floor to secure wheelchairs. Use extra caution when cleaning the interior as these cleats are a potential tripping hazards
- Emergency exits on accessible buses should always be locked when the doors are closed. Doors that are closed AND unlocked are potential hazards increasing the potential for falls.

#### Special circumstance–Boats

- Ladders are often necessary when entering and exiting boats on trailers creating a hazard. Exercise caution when entering and exiting boats, always use proper ladder (refer to ladder training safe work procedure)
- Ensure that boat is properly secured to trailer and that wheels are chocked or attached to truck prior to cleaning a boat.

#### Health and Safety **Essentials:**

- Report any unsafe working conditions to support worker or manager
- **Report any injury** -no matter how minor
- Always wear required PPE
- **Inspect Work Area** and take action to reduce or eliminate hazards
- Ask questions and never use equipment for which you haven't received training



# Rolling Ladders

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Safe Work Procedure

### PPE

Non-slip shoes

#### Hazard Description:

Workers who use mobile ladders risk permanent injury or death from falls. These hazards can be substantially reduced by following good safety practices.



Mobile ladders are more likely to tip because they are narrower than traditional ladders. Special care needs to be taken so that employees don't reach outside the ladder rails.

#### Common Rolling Ladder Hazards

- Damaged step ladder
- Ladders on slippery, uneven, or unstable surfaces
- Ladders in high traffic areas
- Reaching outside ladder side rails
- Extension cords on steps

#### Health and Safety Essentials:

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   or manager
- <u>Report any injury</u>
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Inspect ladder before use	Use a damaged ladder
Maintain three point of con- tact when climbing / de- scending	Stand on handrails to reach higher
Face the treads and stay near the middle	Move ladder while on it
Place ladders on stable, non- slippery surfaces	Leave tools on ladder
Use proper footwear that is laced up	



# Ladders

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### Ladder Duty Ratings

1AA Special Duty

Rated to 375lbs

1A Extra Heavy Duty

Rated to 300lbs

1 Heavy Duty

Rated to 250 lbs

II Commercial

Rated to 225 lbs

I Light Duty

Rated to 200lbs

#### Health and Safety Essentials:

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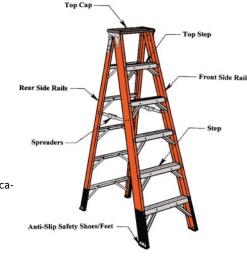
#### Hazard Description:

Safe Work Procedure

Workers who use ladders risk permanent injury or death from falls. These hazards can be eliminated or substantially reduced by following good safety practices.

#### Common Ladder Hazards:

- Damaged step ladder
- Ladders on slippery, uneven, or unstable surfaces
- Unlocked ladder spreaders
- Standing on top step or ladder cap
- Ladders in high traffic areas
- Using a ladder rated less than heavy duty in commercial applications
- Reaching outside ladder side rails







Inspect ladder and ladder rating before use	Use ladder with spreaders un- locked
Maintain three point of con- tact when climbing / de- scending	Stand on top step or cap
Face the treads and stay near the middle	Move ladder while on it
Place ladders on stable, non- slippery surfaces	Use cross bracing on back of ladder as step
Use proper footwear that is laced up	Use a damaged ladder
Use barricade to keep peo- ple away from ladder	Leave tools on ladder

# Sharps

#### Safe Work Procedure

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#### Hazard Description:

Sharps are devices that are capable of causing a cut or puncture wound. Sharps include devices such as needles, broken glass, blades and lancets. Incorrectly disposed of needles can cause needlesticks, which can spread fatal infections if contaminated by the blood or bodily fluid of a person with a blood-borne infection.

Incorrectly disposed of blades and glass can increase the risk of infection and result in significant blood loss. If the amount of blood is significant, then a contamination /infection risk may become prevalent to others who inadvertently contact the blood. SHARPS may be found in laundry, waste,

#### Safe Disposal of Sharps:

If you find a sharp report if to your support worker. Your support work will:

- Put on a pair of gloves
- Ideally, take a sharps container to the needle and syringe
- Use tongs or a similar implement to pick up the needle and /or syringe. If no implement is available, carefully pick up the needle and syringe with the needle furthest away from their fingers and body
- Carefully place the needle and syringe in the sharps container

#### Health and Safety Essentials:

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   or manager
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	DOs:
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Provide rigid, puncture-resistant sharps containers at or near point-of-use to permit safe, one- handed disposal	Reach into a sharps container or bag
Report sharps containers when they are three-quarters full or the sharps have reached the fill line and securely close the lid	Dispose or even touch SHARPS if you are not qualified personnel
Handle laundry, garbage bags and other fabric and paper items with care	Put SHARPS disposal in regular gar- bage. There are regulations for sep- arating SHARPS from regular waste
Educate staff about risks with SHARPS	





Additional

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gloves

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**Precautions:** 

Report needles and/or syringes to the supervisor

Qualified personnel

(support workers) should wear puncture-resistant

Dispose of used box cut-

blades in proper contain-

Deal with cuts, no matter

how minor, properly and

immediately

ting and paper cutting

# T300 Floor Scrubber

Safe Work Procedure

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# Additional Precautions:

# Do not use or pick up flammable materials

Batteries can emit hydrogen gas. Explosion or fire can result

Keep hands away from the spinning pad/brush

Magnetic pad driver/ brush can be harmful to pacemaker wearers or medical implants

#### Health and Safety Essentials:

- <u>Report any unsafe</u>
   <u>working conditions</u>
   to support worker
   or manager
- <u>Report any injury</u>
   \_\_\_\_\_no matter how minor

 <u>Always wear</u> required PPE

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#### Hazard Description:

The automatic floor scrubber can become a hazard if is not operated with extreme caution. Spinning pads, brushes and the squeegee can cause harm to your hands when in motion. Be sure the machine is off before you touch these moving parts. Excess water on the floor can become a slip hazard. The machine can catch on items like chairs and matts in the hallway. Collision with pedestrians can cause serious harm.



#### For Safety—do not operate the machine:

- Unless trained and authorized
- If not in proper operating condition
- In outdoor areas—this machine is for indoor use only
- In areas that are too narrow to turn

#### Before operating machine:

- Check machine for fluid leaks
- Make sure all safety devices are in place and operate properly
- Sweep floors and remove mats

#### While operating machine:

- Always give pedestrians right-of-way
- Report machine damage or faulty operation immediately
- Wear closed-toe, non-slip work shoes
- Reduce speed when turning / entering
- Reverse with caution-machine could run you over
- Turn off machine and remove key when finished





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TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE, EXPLOSION, ELECTRICAL SHOCK, OR INJURY: Read manual before operating machine
 Do not use or pick up flammable

materials, Do not use near flammable liquids, vapors or combustible dusts. Batteries emit hydrogen gas. Explosion or fire can result. Keep sparks and open flame away when charging. Disconnect battery cables and charger plug before servicing machine. Do not charge batteries with damaged cord.

cord. Do not use outdoors, Store indoors,

Spinning Pad. Keep Hands Away

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Spinning pad. Keep hands away. Located on disk scrub head model.

WARNING LABEL -

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# AVERTISSEMENT POUR RÉDUIRE LES RISQUES D'INCENDIE, L'EXPLOSION, DE CHOC ELECTRIQUE OU DE LESSURE: • Lisez le manuel avant d'utiliser la machine, • Viutilisez pas ou ne ramassez pas de matériaux inflammables. • Nutilisez neo ché de liquides vaceure ou

matériaux inflammables. N'utiliser pas près de liquides, vapeurs ou poussières inflammables. Les battories émettent de l'hydrogène gazoux, Rique d'incondie et d'oxplosion. Evitez toute étincelle et toute flamme nue lors de la charge des battories. D'ôbranchez les câbles des batteries et le cordon du chargeur avant l'entretien de la machine.

Ne chargez pas les batteries avec un cordon endommagé.
 N'utilisez pas à l'extérieur. Entreposez-la à l'intérieur.

#### ADVERTENCIA PARA REDUCIR EL RIESGO DE INCENDIO, EXPLOSION, CHOQUE ELECTRICO, O LESIONS:

Lea el manual antes de utilizar la máquina, No utilice ni recoja materiales inflamables. No utilice ni recoja materiales inflamables. No utilice la máquina cera de Bquidos, polvos o vapores inflamables. Las baterias emiten hidrógeno. Peligo de incencio o explosión, Mantenga la máquina algiada de chispas y llamas cuando se esté cargande. Desconcte los cables de la bateria antes de realizar el servicio a la máquina. No cargue las baterias si el cable está dañado.

No utilice la máquina al aire libre. Guárdela en un lugar cerrando.



WARNING LABEL -**Batteries emit** hydrogen gas. Explosion or fire can result. Keep sparks and open flame away when charging.

Located on bottom side of recovery tank.



WARNING LABEL -Electrical hazard. Disconnect battery cables before servicing machine.

Located on circuit breaker panel.



WARNING LABEL -Spinning brush. Keep hands away. Located on cylindrical scrub head model.

WARNING LABEL -Magnetic Field Hazard. Magnetic pad driver/brush can be harmful to pacemaker wearers or medical implants.

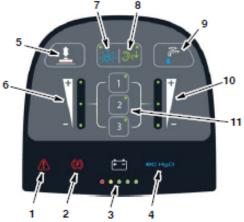
Located on Insta-Click magnetic pad driver/brush.



# T300 Floor Scrubber Operation Checklist

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T300 Model with Pro-Membrane Control Panel (Actuated Down Pressure Model)



- Service indicator Lights up when a machine or charger fault is detected.
- Parking brake indicator (option) Lights up when parking brake lever is engaged. To turn off indicator, disengage parking brake lever near left rear wheel.
- Battery discharge indicator (BDI) The battery discharge indicator serves two functions. In normal scrub mode it displays the charge level of the batteries. It also, in conjunction when the service indicator is flashing, provides specific LED codes when a machine or charger fault is detected.
- ec-H2O indicator (Option) Lights up blue when ec-H2O system is activated and operating normally.
- Down pressure adjustment button Press button to adjust the down pressure from low, medium or high.
- Down pressure indicator Displays down pressure setting.
- Severe Environment on/off button (ec-H2O Model Option) - Press button to dispense cleaning detergent as needed for excessive soil buildup while operating.
- Quiet mode on/off button Press button to reduce the vacuum motor sound for noise restricted areas.
- Solution flow adjustment button Press button to adjust the solution flow setting from low, medium, high or to turn off solution flow.
- Solution flow indicator Displays solution flow setting.
- Zone Settings buttons Machine comes with three factory default Zone Settings for quick operation. The factory zone settings are configured with different solution flow rates, down pressures and maximum scrub speeds.

#### **Pre-operation Checklist**

- Sweep area and remove any obstructions
- Check brushes / pads for wear and damage
- Check squeegee blades for wear and damage
- Confirm recovery tank empty and screen and debris tray is clean
- Check scrub head skirt for wear and damage
- Confirm solution tank is filled with cool water only



# T300 Floor Scrubber

**Operating Instructions** 

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#### **Operating the Machine:**

1. Fill tank with clean cold water—never use chemicals. Fill line shows on clear hose at side of machine. Do not fill past 3/3.



2. Turn Key, drive where you want to start scrubbing

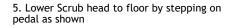


3. Press the downward pressure button to increase / decrease pressure. Always operate machine at pressure level 3 (lowest setting).



4. Press the water flow button to increase / decrease water flow rate. Normal operation is flow level 2.







6. Lower squeegee by stepping on pedal as shown. Vacuum will start when squeegee is lowered



7. Select Drive Mode-forward or reverse



8. To begin scrubbing, pull the start bail



9. Adjust speed by turning dial to desired speed





10. When done, lift scrub pad and with squeegee down, remove all remaining water from pad



11. Emergency stop—in emergencies, push the red button to shut off all power to machine. To regain power, turn the button clockwise and restart the key. Use only in emergencies, it is not intended for routine machine shutdown.





# T300 Floor Scrubber

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Operating Instructions

#### 1. Draining Recovery Tank

Drain and clean the recovery tank daily and between water refills

- 1. Transport machine to drain area
- 2. Take drain hose, remove cap slowly, then lower hose to drain. Wear gloves.



3. Remove and clean the float shut-off screen.



3. Rinse out the recovery tank with clean water and wipe clean of any residue



#### 2. Draining Water Tank

Drain the water tank daily

1. Transport machine to drain area

2. Pull the solution hose from access rail, then lower hose to drain.



3. Rinse out the water tank



4. Firmly reconnect the solution hose to accessory rail



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### Food Preparation

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Celsius

Zone

#### Hazard Description:

Safe Work Procedure

Food preparation is the step when we have the least amount of temperature control. During food preparation, foods are in the danger zone (between 4 and 60 degrees). The amount of time foods sit unrefrigerated must be minimized.



#### Minimize the time food is in the danger zone by:



- Ensure food preparation is completed in a quick, efficient manner to decrease time in the danger zone
- Take only what you will use immediately from the fridge
- Return items to fridge as soon as possible
- Ensure meats, cheeses, eggs, sauces etc. are returned to the fridge as soon as possible and do not sit on the counter while you complete other tasks.
- Clean and sanitize all surfaces before and after preparing food

#### Health and Safety Essentials:

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   or manager
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### DON'Ts:

 Leave food that must be refrigerated out for longer than absolutely necessary



Did you know Potentially hazardous foods (meats, cheeses, eggs etc) can not sit in the danger zone for more than 4 hours maximum total accumulated time. This includes receiving, preparation, transport etc. VOCEC

### Palette Mover

Safe Work Procedure

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PPE &

#### Hazard Description:

Palette Movers carry extremely heavy loads and are a hazard if loads are dropped on feet and can cause dislocation of shoulder or back strain due to forceful pulling. Exposed forks are also a potential trip hazard



Green Patch Safety Shoes trip

#### Before starting work:

**Protective Gloves** 

Equipment

Required

- Only operate the Palette Mover if trained and authorized by your supervisor
- Inspect the Palette Mover to see that it is in good working order before attempting to handle a load
- Notify your supervisor about any faulty equipment immediately
- Familiarize yourself with the controls before using the pallet jack and ensure they are undamaged and responsive

#### **Operating Precautions:**

- Plan your route check that the route you are taking is free from hazards and uneven surfaces before you begin your load
- Make sure Jack is in pallet straight and in the center of the pallet
- Use both hands when jacking up the pallet mover to prevent muscle strain
- Keep all body parts (hands, arms, feet, etc) from under a pallet when it is in a raised position
- Move the load slowly to ensure safety in case your surroundings change
- Always push the load (never pull the load). Pulling puts added strain on your shoulders, neck and back.
- Use Extra caution when operating jack on a grade. Never turn sharp on a grade
- Never attempt to lift load with one fork
- Do not bump or hit walls or counters when parking pallets
- Unattended movers should be left in the down position and moved to an area without pedestrian traffic. If possible, push forks under a mono or skid to reduce tripping hazard.
- Never leave palette mover in an elevated position
- Remember that pedestrians have the right-of-way. In the event you need to stop the palette mover in an emergency, drop the load.

#### Health and Safety Essentials:

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This Fire Response Plan is developed for Associates working at 'At The Lake Café' at Providence Care Hospital.

Upon discovery of smoke or fire-R.E.A.C.T:

**R- Remove** person in immediate danger and report to primary Safe Zone across a set of fire doors.

E- Ensure Containment Close the doors to the kitchen (if safe to do so) to confine the fire and smoke.

**A** - **Alarm** Call out "CODE RED" and the location of the fire. Activate the fire alarm system using the nearest pull station.

C- Call 4444 or notify Reception Services of fire in:

### D1.402 - At The Lake Café

#### or

### DO.750 Canteen level 0

**T- Try** If within your capability, extinguish the fire using **P.A.S.S.** (below). If not, evacuate all persons in the affected area to a safe zone beyond the nearest fire separation door and wait for the Fire Department.

#### Using a Fire Extinguisher

- $\mathsf{P} \mathsf{Pull}$  the pin
- A Aim at the base of the fire. Ensure the background of the fire is clear of anyone.

S - Squeeze the handle.

S - Sweep from Side to side. Start from a safe distance, move slowly towards the fire.



### Responding to Fire Alarm System:

The Fire Alarm system has 2 stages

Stage 1 (Code Red): (30 beats per minute) will sound overhead.

#### Stage 1 Response:

- Cease unnecessary activity and listen for an automated announcement from the fire alarm system with a location. At the Lake Café is located in "D1 Purple" for Downtown level 1.
- Immediately search your area for signs of smoke or fire, no matter where the alarm is announced for. If you discover smoke or fire, <u>R.E.A.C.T</u> and proceed to primary or secondary meeting place.
- If you do not discover smoke or fire, remain in your area and continue working—stay prepared and listen for further announcements or an "all clear"

Stage 2: gets faster (120 beats per minute)

#### Stage 2 Response (Code Green):

If you hear the 2<sup>nd</sup> evacuation stage alarm (120 beats per minute)

- Cease unnecessary activity and listen for instructions. If a Code Green (evacuation) is announced in your area, proceed to primary or secondary meeting place.
- Wait for "All Clear" to return to area.

Remember: as long as there continues to be no smoke or fire in your area and you have not been instructed to evacuate, it is safe to stay where you are.



# The following are responses to smoke or fire in equipment at 'At the Lake Café':

#### Combie Oven- in case of fire or smoke:

- 1. Keep the cooking chamber door closed
- 2. Turn off oven or switch off at the breaker panel
- 3. If further extinguishing is required, R.E.A.C.T.

#### To reduce risk of fire:

- Do not store highly flammable or combustible materials near the unit risk of fire
- If the appliance is not cleaned or is not cleaned well enough, deposits of grease or food residues in the cooking chamber may catch fire risk of fire.

#### Turbo Chef-in case of fire or smoke:

- 1. Keep the cooking chamber door closed
- 2. Turn off oven or switch off at the breaker panel
- 3. If further extinguishing is required, R.E.A.C.T.

#### To reduce risk of fire:

- Do not use the cook cavity for storage purposes.
- Do not overcook food. Carefully attend to the oven if paper, plastic, or other combustible materials are placed inside the oven to facilitate cooking.
- Do not leave paper products, cooking utensils, or food in the cavity when the oven is not in use.



### Fire Safety Response

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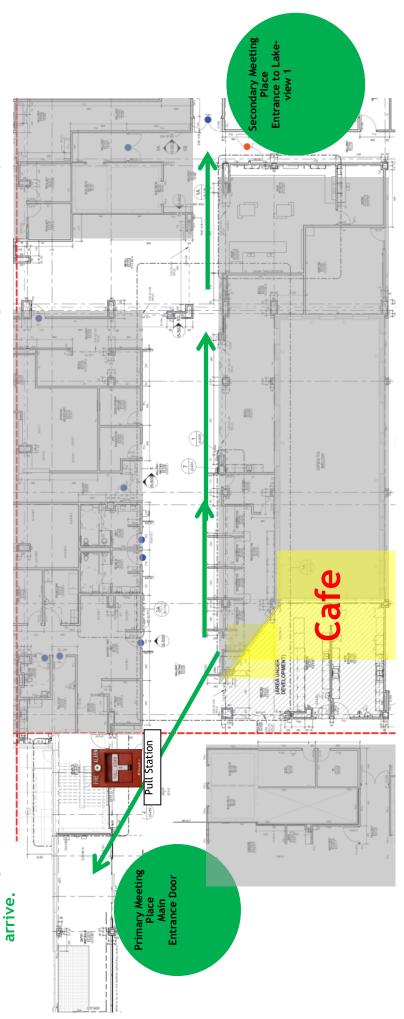
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#### Induction Hot Plate-In case of fire or smoke:

- 1. Turn off Hot Plate or switch off at the breaker panel
- 2. Stifle flames if safe to do so. Do NOT use water if there is oil, grease, butter or other food fat/oil products present or it is an electrical fire.
- 3. If further extinguishing is required, pull fire suppression system ring, and R.E.A.C.T.

#### To reduce risk of fire:

There must be a minimum of 10 cm or 4 inches space between the rear of the induction warmer and any surrounding surface. Blocking the airflow could cause the unit to overheat. **Downtown 1 (D1) At the Lake Cafe Evacuation Routes** If evacuating to the Main Entrance Door, ensure the route remains clear for the fire department when they



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### Forklift Policy and Procedure

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#### **Policy Statement:**

VOCEC's operations require the use of a forklift. The Ontario Ministry of Labour has identified forklifts as a significant cause of serious worker injury and death. This policy sets out how VOCEC will comply with the Occupational Health and Safety Act and its regulations in relation to forklift operation.



#### The Policy is accompanied by 5 appendices:

#### **Protective Gloves**

Equipment

Green Patch Safety Shoes

Required

- Appendix 1: Forklift Pre- Use Inspection Checklist
- Appendix 2: Loading Dock Inspection Checklist
- Appendix 3: Non-operator training (those working near forklift)
- Appendix 4: Operator Sign-off Sheet
- Appendix 5: Forklift Performance Test

To ensure compliance with the Occupational Health and Safety Act, VOCEC shall institute the following Safety Program that includes the following elements:

- 1. Training (of both truck operators and those working near the forklift)
- 2. Supervision
- 3. Operating Procedures
- 4. Maintenance and Repair Procedures
- 5. Facility Design
- 6. Forklift Selection criteria
- 7. Hazard Identification
- 8. Recharging Batteries

#### 1. Training:

Prior to operating a forklift, VOCEC Support Workers and the Operations Manager will ensure that VOCEC associates operating the forklift are certified through a professional training program. In addition, VOCEC associates, the Support Worker and Operations Manager must successfully complete VOCEC's Performance Test (Appendix 5) on an annual basis.

The Support Worker and Operations Manager are also responsible for reviewing Appendix 3 - non-operator training for those working near the forklift.

#### 2. Supervision:

VOCEC assigns the Support Worker and Operations Manager as supervisor to identify hazards, unsafe acts and conditions and implement corrective measures.

Forklift operators are encouraged and expected to identify hazardous situations and bring them to the attention of the Support Worker or Operations Manager.

#### Health and Safety Essentials:

- <u>Report any unsafe</u>
   <u>working conditions</u>
   to support worker
   or manager
- <u>Always wear</u> required PPE
- Inspect Work Area
   and take action to reduce
   or eliminate hazards
- Ask questions
   and never use equipment
   for which you haven't re ceived training



#### 3. Operating Procedures:

#### 3.01 Pre-Use Checklist:

At the beginning of every shift and prior to operating the forklift, operators must complete and sign the pre-use inspection checklist (Appendix 1).

#### 3.02 Parking and Shutdown:

- At the end of operation, the forklift operator must:
- Park forklift safely without blocking doors or fire equipment
- Bring forklift to a complete stop
- Place in neutral
- Apply parking brake
- Lower the forks and tilt the mast all the way forwards
- Take key to the Support Worker Office

#### 3.03 Carrying Loads:

- No part of a load must pass over any worker
- When carrying a load, the load must be carried as close to the ground or floor as the situation permits
- No load may exceed the maximum rated load (2900 lbs). Note a full mono of newspapers weighs approximately 1600 lbs.
- Loads that may tip or fall and endanger a worker must be secured. A load that is not secure should not be moved under any circumstance.
- When a load is in the raised position, the controls must be attended by an operator

#### 3.04 Using a Signaler:

When operating the forklift outside of designated areas identified in section 7.10 (Pedestrian Traffic), or where visibility is limited due to the load, a signaler must be used. The signaler walks 10 to 15 feet in front of the forklift ensuring the path is clear from pedestrians and other obstacles.

Signalers will use hand flags and voice commands to ensure the path is clear.

#### 4. Maintenance and Repair:

It is the responsibility of the Support Worker and Operations Manager to ensure the forklift is maintained and in good condition. In addition to Pre-Use Inspection checklist, the forklift shall be professionally inspected by a competent technician in accordance with the Occupational Health and Safety Act Regulations for load capacity and operational safety as often as necessary but at least annually.



#### 5. Facility Design:

Poor workplace design can contribute to accidents and injuries. Floors, aisles and passageways should be kept clear and free of hazards.

#### 6. Forklift Selection Criteria:

The Forklift has a capacity of 2900 lbs and has been selected for the particular needs of VOCEC.

#### 7. <u>Hazard Identification:</u>

All Hazards associated with the forklift must be identified and reported. The responsibility to identify hazards is assigned to all forklift operators, the Support Staff and Operations Manager.

The following is a non-inclusive list of hazards operators may encounter when driving the forklift in the warehouse.

#### 7.01 Loading Door Overhead clearance:

Overhead clearance is low - especially going through the door to the loading dock and when entering trucks. Ensure that forks, tower and load do not hit overhead hazards.

#### 7.02 <u>Ramp:</u>

The ramp is needed to load certain trucks. When using the ramp, ensure it is properly secured and supported.

#### 7.03 Stacking Newspaper Monos:

Monos must be stacked carefully ensuring they do not tip over. Work with a partner to signal where they should be placed

#### 7.04 Structural Columns:

The warehouse has 4 structural columns that are a potential hazard. Stay clear of the columns and do not place loads closer than 2 feet from the columns. The clearance area around columns is marked and signs are posted to ensure compliance.

#### 7.05 Driving in Reverse:

Always look over both shoulders before backing up and face the direction of travel.

#### 7.06 Seatbelt and safety Cage:

Always fasten your seatbelt when driving the forklift. If you feel the forklift tilting, grip the wheel tightly, push back into the seat, lean away from the direction of the fall, and let the safety cage cushion the impact. Operators who try to jump or are thrown from the protected cab are often crushed and could die.

#### 7.07 Loading / Unloading Trucks

Where a forklift is required to enter or exit a vehicle to load or unload, that vehicle must be immobilized and secured against accidental movement with two wheel chocks. This reduces the risk of the forklift falling between the dock and the unsecured truck.



#### 7.08 Entering and Exiting the Forklift:

To reduce the risk of falling when entering and exiting the forklift, it is essential to maintain a "three point contact" in order to prevent falling or slipping.

#### 7.09 Speed:

Speed increases the risk of tipping and crushing the operator or a worker. Never operate the forklift at a speed faster than a walk.

#### 7.10 Pedestrian traffic:

The warehouse is a throughway for those working in the carwash, carwash customers, EMC drivers, EMC employees and VOCEC associates. Only operate forklift in designated areas or with the use of a signaler. Pedestrians always have the right of way.

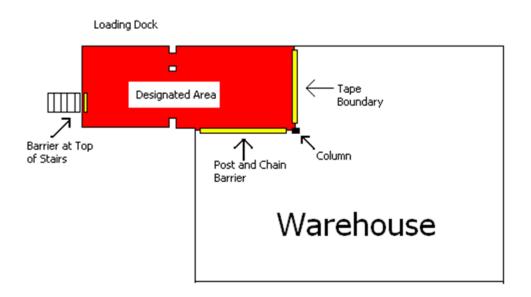
When there's the possibility of pedestrians in the warehouse, the forklift should only be operated in designated areas. Operating the forklift outside of the designated areas requires use of a signaler.

Designated areas are spaces cordoned off with barriers (yellow posts and yellow chains). Pedestrians are not permitted in these areas when the forklift is in operation.

#### Example 1: Unloading a truck

To unload newspapers from the truck, the designated area is the loading dock, and area immediately inside the loading doors (see below)

To load / unload truck, place sign at top of loading dock stairs indicating the forklift is in use and that the area is restricted to pedestrians. Place barrier - yellow posts and chains between column and the wall

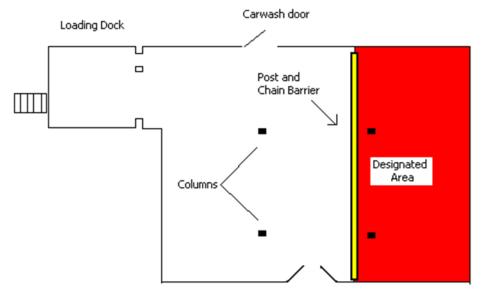




#### Example 2: Stacking and loading empty monos

Move empty monos to west side of warehouse with pallet Movers

Prior to stacking monos with the forklift, place barriers (yellow posts and yellow chains) around work area as shown. This becomes the designated area.



#### 8. <u>Recharging Batteries</u>

Note - prior to recharging, always check battery water level to ensure adequate levels

- Remove keys and detach battery hookup by lifting up the red lever beside the driver's seat.
- Lift Battery Cover.
- Ensure that the charger is in off position prior to connecting the battery to the charger
- Once connected, turn the charger on and push button to "equalize". Do not manipulate the forklift or charger while charging is in progress
- Turn charger off and then disconnect the outlet
- Reconnect hookup and replace battery cover



#### **Battery Water Level:**

- Only trained and authorized personnel are permitted to change or charge the battery.
- Wear rubber apron, face shield and rubber gloves to prevent possible injury resulting from caustic battery acid splashing
- Top up water level prior to recharging use only distilled water or de-ionized water. Tap water may contain small amounts of impurities such as nickel, iron, copper, or chlorine that could seriously affect battery life
- Detach battery hookup by lifting red lever. Lift up driver seat to access the battery
- Remove battery caps by turning counter clockwise
- Fill each cell with water level just above the perforated base (approximately 3 cm top. Do not overfill
- Replace each cap by turning clockwise
- Follow Recharging Batteries procedure

#### Precautions:

Splashing of acid into the eyes is the most dangerous condition which can be encountered while refilling the batteries.

Tools, chains and other metallic objects should be kept away from the top of uncovered batteries to prevent possible short circuits.

Do not wear jewelry made from conductive material. Metal items can short circuit a battery and could cause severe burns and electrocution.

Smoking, open flames, and sparks are prohibited in the charging area. A potentially explosive mixture of hydrogen and oxygen is produced in a lead-acid battery while it is being charged. The gases can combine explosively if a spark or flame is present to ignite them. Because hydrogen is so light, it normally rises and diffuses into the air before it can concentrate into an explosive mixture.

#### First Aid:

#### Eyes:

In the event of battery acid contacting your eyes, flush gently with water for at least 15 minutes followed as quickly as possible with a physician's examination.

If the person is wearing contact lenses, they should be removed before rinsing eyes.

#### Skin:

Acid or electrolyte splashed onto the skin should be washed off under running water. Battery electrolyte will usually only cause irritation of the skin, but if a burn develops, seek medical treatment immediately.

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### Appendix 1: Forklift Pre-Inspection Checklist

Updated May 2018

Week ending Date:		Hour Meter Reading:				
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Operator Initials						
Visual Check	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	
General Condition of the forklift			, , eu	- That S		
Housekeeping of the area - is the floor clear of obstacles?						
Check overhead guard, possible overhead obstructions						
Battery charge, check cables, connections not loose, caps on						
Wheels and tires: wear or damage						
Forks / backrest, mast, chains, rollers						
Chain anchor pins Fluid leaks, no damp spots or drips on ground						
Hoses: secure with no leaks						
Signage and stickers legible, capacity plate						
Operational Check	•	•	·		·	
Engine: not rough, no noise or leaks						
Gauges / Horn: loud and working						
Lights: head lights and warning lights						
Seatbelt: good working order, no damage						
Steering: loose or tight						
Tilt/sideshift: loose, sticks, leaks						
Brakes: foot and parking						
Details on areas for attention:	•	<b>I</b>			- <b>I</b>	
Operator Signatures:						
Supervisor Signature:						



### Appendix 2: Loading Dock Inspection Checklist

Updated May 2018

Week ending Date:					
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Operator Initials					
A. DOCK ACCESS/PEDESTRIAN CON-	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Dock kept clear of loads of material					
Dock clear of other trip hazards (e.g. strap- ping, plastic wrap, scrap wood, etc)					
Doors kept closed when not in use					
Signage at these doors in place to restrict access to the dock					
B. VEHICLE RESTRAINING & UNLOADING					
Chocks in use as restraining devices on all vehicles					
Chocks used properly—on both side of vehi- cle					
Chocks in good repair					
Dock and driveway kept clear of ice, snow, and debris					
Exterior lights working					
C. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS					
All pallets stacked properly in a horizontal manner					
Dock and warehouse areas kept clean and free of clutter and trip hazards					
Garbage placed in appropriate receptacles and regularly emptied					
Details on areas for attention:					
Operator Signatures:					
Supervisor Signature:					



### Appendix 3: Non-Operator Training

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### PPE & Equipment Required

Safety Shoes–Green Patch

#### Equipment Description:

The Ontario Ministry of Labour has identified forklifts as a significant cause of serious worker injury and death. Fact: up to 60% of all forklift related injuries are sustained by pedestrians—not forklift operators.



#### Forklifts are not like cars:

- Forklifts are often twice as heavy so they take longer to stop
- Because of their weight, if your foot is run over by a forklift you will likely be crippled for life
- Visibility is limited because of the forks and load. It's hard for operators to see you
- Forklifts steer using their back wheel-this means the back end swings out significantly when turning

#### When working around the forklift:

- Never enter designated forklift areas-these areas will be well marked by yellow barriers
- Keep a safe distance form the forklift and always pay attention

#### Health and Safety Essentials:

# <u>Report any unsafe</u> <u>working conditions</u> to support worker or manager

- <u>Always wear</u> required PPE
- Inspect Work Area
   and take action to reduce
   or eliminate hazards
- <u>Ask questions</u> and never use equipment for which you haven't received training

- Never assume the operator knows where you are. Make yourself known and establish eye contact with the driver
- Watch out for the tail swing when a forklift turns
- Stay clear of the fall zone-a full circle area equal to twice the height of the carried load
- Never walk or put any part of your body under a raised load



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Equipment

Safety Shoes-Green

Required

### Appendix 4: Operator Sign-off sheet

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#### Equipment Description:

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#### **Operating Procedures and Sign-Off:**

As a VOCEC Forklift Operator, I acknowledge that I have read, understood and will abide by:

VOCEC's Forklift Safety Policy and Procedure

Appendix 1: Forklift Pre- Use Inspection Checklist

Appendix 2: Loading Dock - Inspection Checklist

Appendix 3: Non-operator training (those working near forklift)

#### Health and Safety Essentials:

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Appendix 4: Operator Sign-off Sheet

Appendix 5: Forklift Performance Test

Business Associate Signature

Trainer/ Supervisor Signature



## Appendix 5: Forklift Performance Test

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Operator's Name:

Date:

Date of next test: \_\_\_\_

(retest 1 year from test date)



Under absolutely no circumstances are operators to drive the forklift under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

Task	Ok	Not Applicable	Needs Training
Conducted pre-operational check			
Showed familiarity with the controls			
Properly used seat belt			
Started and stopped smoothly			
Slowed down at intersections			
Planned Route ahead, checked doorways.			
Turned corners correctly. Aware of rear swing.			
Drove under control			
Yielded to pedestrians			
Properly drove backwards when required - looking behind both ways			
Approached load properly. Load balanced properly and securely			
Lowered load smoothly and slowly			
Maneuvered with load properly (no turn- ing with load raised)			
Travelled with load at proper height (approximately 10 cm above surface)			
Inspected bridge plates and dock boards			
Made sure truck wheels were chocked / wedged			
Placed load within marked area. Stacked load evenly and neatly.			
Parked properly, neutralized all controls, lowered forks to ground, set break, and turned off engine.			
Was receptive to feedback and input from support worker / trainer.			
Communicated needs / questions clearly. Focused on driving with 100% of atten- tion.			



#### Health and Safety Policies and Training

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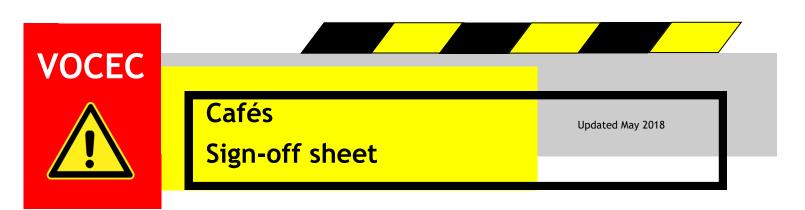
#### **Global Hazard Awareness: Safe Work Procedures**

Safe Lifting Techniques Heat Stress Slips, Trips and Falls Handling Cash Hand Washing and Disposable Gloves Jewelry Personal Hygiene Fire Response

#### Area-Specific Hazard Awareness: Safe Work Procedures

Sharps Floor Scrubber

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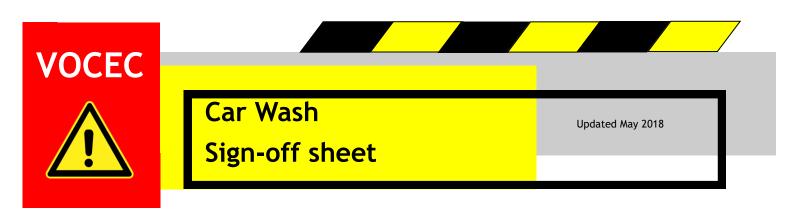
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#### Area-Specific Hazard Awareness: Safe Work Procedures

Food Preparation Cafés Only

PRINT NAME	SIGNATURE	Date	



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#### Area-Specific Hazard Awareness: Safe Work Procedures

Pressure Washer Washing Special Vehicles Shampooer Rolling Ladders and Ladders Sharps

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#### Area-Specific Hazard Awareness: Safe Work Procedures

Palette Mover (If expected to operate)

PRINT NAME	SIGNATURE	Date	