

RISK ASSESSMENT - BOUNCY CASTLE WITH SLIDE

Hazard Area	Risk	Existing Controls	Likelihood 1 - 5	Severity 1 - 5	Risk Score L x S	Further Action to take
Bouncy Castle	Injury through lack of supervision.	Responsible adult must be supervising the entrance to the bouncy castle at all times. Additional responsible adult must be positioned at the slide exit for constant supervision.	1	5	5	When no supervision is available to cover the front entrance of the and slide exit then participants should dismount and the unit should be turned off until such time sufficient supervision is available.
Bouncy Castle	Over enthusiastic participants.	Responsible adult supervising at all times. No somersaults, climbing on the walls or running from side to side is permitted at any time.	3	2	6	None.
Bouncy Castle	Danger of falling from height.	Climbing, hanging or sitting on the walls is extremely dangerous and must not be allowed at any time.	1	5	5	Adult supervision at all times.
Bouncy Castle	Overloading or tipping.	Ensure the user capacity and height limits shown on the bouncy castle are adhered to. Running from side to side is strictly forbidden.	1	5	5	Adult supervision at all times.
Bouncy Castle	Larger participants colliding with smaller participants.	Responsible person supervising at all times ensuring participants are placed in weight / height categories or in similar size categories for safe use.	2	5	10	None.
Bouncy Castle	Danger of unnecessary injury.	Ensure that no-one with a history of back or neck problems, who suffers from any heart complaints, is feeling unwell, is pregnant or under the effects of alcohol and / or drugs uses the bouncy castle as anytime.	1	5	5	None.
Bouncy Castle	Danger or injury from hard surfaces.	The bouncy castle must never be mounted until it is fully inflated. Mats must be used at all times at both the front entrance / exit bed of the castle and at the slide exit.	1	4	4	None.
Bouncy Castle	Tripping over anchorage points, spare equipment or electrical cables.	Anchor points used as per the manufacturers instructions and any spare equipment erected safely or stowed away. Where possible electrical cables do not cross any public pathway.	1	1	1	In the event of large numbers of participants attending or large events, additional safety fencing is erected. Electrical cables will be erected overhead or covered.
Bouncy Castle	Injury through incorrect positioning.	Do not move or try to reposition the unit under any circumstances and ensure that anchors are in place at all times.	1	2	2	None.

Bouncy Castle	Choking.	No food, drinks, chewing gum, balloons, silly string or alike to be allowed on or near the bouncy castle.	2	5	10	Adult supervision at all times.
Bouncy Castle	Injury through lack of inflatable pressure or suffocation.	Do not allow anyone to be on the unit during inflation or deflation as this can be extremely dangerous.	1	3	3	None.
Bouncy Castle	Petrol Blower, Generator risk of fire	Blowers / generators filled with fuel before delivery. Units are fire retardant.	3	1	3	All spare fuel is stored in suitable marked container, and in a safe location. Units switched off when refuelling.
Bouncy Castle	Adverse weather conditions.	The bouncy castle is not permitted to be used in strong winds (over 24 mph including gusts) or heavy rain.	Dependant on weather	Dependant on weather	Dependant on weather	Turn the unit off until weather conditions subside to allow use again. Dry off any wetness with a towel before allowing participants back on the inflatable.
Bouncy Castle	Injury through 3 rd party items.	All shoes, glasses, jewellery, badges MUST be removed before using the bouncy castle.	1	5	5	None
Bouncy Castle	Injury through 3 rd party spectators.	Always ensure that the area surrounding the activity is not overcrowded.	2	3	6	None
Bouncy Castle	Injury through insecure anchorage.	Never use this unit without proper anchorage in place. It may be blown over in certain wind conditions. If the unit is not anchored correctly please ensure you tell the erection team before they leave.	1	5	5	None.
Bouncy Castle	Danger of fire.	No smoking or barbecues near the activity at any time.	1	5	5	None.
Bouncy Castle	Emergency.	In the event that someone is seriously injured, DO NOT move the individual, remove all users from the equipment and dial 999 immediately.	1	5	5	None.

L=Likelihood S=Severity L*S= Risk 1=Low 5=High

Risk is worked out using numbers 1 - 5. The likelihood is given a number and this is multiplied by the number given to the severity of the risk.

The result = the risk factor. 25 is the worst possible outcome, any item reaching 25 would give serious cause for concern and we would not be able to erect the unit. It is recommended that hirer(s) undertake their own risk assessment to suit their requirements.

This bouncy castle risk assessment covers basic practice; it also has the most common risks, preventions and outcomes. If a more detailed risk assessments is needed then it should be done in accordance with your event or company regulations and policies. It is recommended that clients undertake their own risk assessment to suit their requirements. This risk assessment is not site specific.