

The Fairly Famous Family

Strolling Gardeners Risk Assessment

Stilt walking, juggling/magic walkabout

HAZARD	AFFECTING WHAT / WHOM ?	CONTROLS
Injury / damage resulting from effect of adverse weather conditions on performance	Public / performer / venue	i) Performer responsible for varying / cancelling performance due to adverse weather conditions and in particular to respond to changes in wind speed and direction during the show.
Injury / damage due to interference from member of the audience	Public / performers	i) Performer / event organiser to ensure appropriate stewarding is provided where needed. ii) Performer to monitor audience and be prepared to take action should audience member unsafely enter performance area. iii) Performers to be on the highest level of awareness in this regard whilst performing on stilts.
Injury due to misthrown item of juggling equipment	Public, performers	i) Performer exceptionally well trained. ii) Adjustments to routine/performance made before and during performance in respect of: wind speed, size of performance space and volume of audience.
Injury due to collision between performers and audience members.	Public, performers	i) Performers to be aware of this possibility and take care to plan a clear route through crowds. ii) Performer / event organiser to ensure appropriate stewarding is provided where needed.
Injury due to fall whilst putting on / taking off stilts	Performer	i) Performers well trained. ii) Performers to select appropriate site for this manoeuvre and to take notice of stability of any platform used.

Fall from stilts	Performer, public	<ul style="list-style-type: none">i) Performers to set stilts to low levelii) Performers to check equipment fully before each useiii) Performers to make site inspection prior to performance and note any greater potential hazards such as steps, balconies, slippery floor etc. and to plan entrance and exit routesiv) Performers to maintain good awareness of own tiredness / control and exit performance area / take off stilts if at all concerned.v) Performers to wear knee pads whilst on stilts.
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