

NORTHERN DECORATORS

**Activity:
Preparation and cleaning.**

Hazard	Risk	Prevention
Dust or fumes from chemicals or abrasive materials.	Low to Medium.	Wear appropriate masks.

**Activity:
Using blow torches, hot air strippers and gas burners.**

Hazard	Risk	Prevention
Fire and burns.	Low to Medium.	Use according to manufacturers' instructions. Ensure posture is secure. Do not use near flammable materials. Keep away from loose clothing. Wear protective clothing.

**Activity:
Using paints, thinners, strippers, powders and other substances.
Also refer to information and instructions supplied with the
substance, on data cards or on labels.**

Hazard	Risk	Prevention
Fire.	Low.	Do not smoke. Store materials in designated areas. Keep materials away from sources of heat such as hot air guns, blow torches and gas burners.
Eye and skin injury.	Low to medium.	Wear protective eyewear, gloves and overalls. Wash hands after use.
Slipping due to spillage.	Low.	Secure lids after use. Keep containers the correct way up.
Inhalation of fumes and dust.	Low to medium.	Wear appropriate masks.

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Activity:
Working at height on ladders, towers, scaffolding, etc.

Hazard	Risk	Prevention
Falling.	Low.	Ensure ladders are secure (ladders of 5m should be fixed). Ensure equipment is in good condition and clean. Always use hand holds provided. Ensure hand rails and safety guards are in place.
Dropping items.	Low to medium.	Ensure all materials and equipment being used are securely fixed or held at all times. When not in use, return all items to stores or ground level.

Activity:
Using electrical equipment

Hazard	Risk	Prevention
Electric Shock.	Low.	Ensure equipment has been tested. Check there are no frayed leads or exposed wires. Use according to instructions. Ensure hands are dry.
Tripping or falling over cables.	Low.	Ensure all cable runs are clearly marked and covered where necessary.

Activity:
Using moving equipment

Hazard	Risk	Prevention
Body injury.	Low to Medium.	Use equipment according to instructions. Provide training on use where necessary. Maintain equipment. Ensure all moving parts are properly guarded. Check equipment is not damaged. Turn off after use.

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**Activity:
Lifting and handling**

Hazard	Risk	Prevention
Body injury.	Low to Medium.	Only lift objects of which you are capable of lifting easily and safely. Request assistance with the lifting of heavier objects. Use appropriate equipment. Place feet on the ground, bend knees and keep back straight. Wear gloves to protect your hands from rough or sharp edges. Wear suitable footwear to protect feet from dropped objects.

**Activity:
Cutting and breaking materials**

Hazard	Risk	Prevention
Cuts from tools or rough edges of materials.	Low.	Cut materials on a flat surface using correct tools. Wear gloves or appropriate protective equipment.
Dust and small fragments in the eyes.	Low.	Wear protective eyewear.

**Activity:
Sweeping and clearing away**

Hazard	Risk	Prevention
Dust and fragments in eyes.	Low.	Wear protective eyewear.
Cuts from sharp edges.	Low.	Wear gloves.
Inhalation of dust.	Low.	Wear appropriate masks.