



Risk assessment form Inclement Weather

School Name:	Wombridge Primary School									
Activity Description:	Adverse weather conditions – heavy rain, flooding, snow & ice									
Person Completing:	SLT									
Hazards	Who is at risk?	L	S	Risk (L*S)	Current Control Measures	L	S	Risk (L*S)	Additional Requirements	Timescale
Weather changes: Rain, Ice, Snow on surface (especially wet leaves)	Staff Pupils	2	2	4	Daily checks The outdoor learning environment should be made available to children all day. Adults should ensure that all children are wearing appropriate clothing for the weather.	1	1	1	A nominated local member of staff will monitor weather conditions during adverse weather, and assess, in conjunction with SLT, whether it is safe for outdoor play.	

Hazardous Event	1	2	3	4	5
Likelihood	Very unlikely	Unlikely	Possible (Heard of it happening)	Likely	Very Likely
Severity	None or trivial injury / illness or 1 person at risk	Minor injury or illness / Only minor first aid required or up to 5 persons at risk	Injury or illness that could result in lost time or up to 10 persons at risk	Specified major injury / severe incapacity, fractures, loss of consciousness or up to 25 persons at risk	Fatality / widespread loss – 25 or more persons involved

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Risk Rating
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Medium – identify improvements, draw up action plan and monitor
High – urgent action required to reduce exposure and re-access

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					<p>Adults should discuss changes in weather and its affect to the outdoors areas.</p> <p>Adults should assess risk to the outdoor surface areas and equipment in order to determine which equipment/areas should remain undercover.</p> <p>Parents have been advised that children must come to school wearing a waterproof coat with a hood.</p>					
Slips, Trips & Falls on site	<p>Staff</p> <p>Pupils</p> <p>Visitors</p>	2	3	6	<p>Grit walkways and drop-off areas prior to freezing temperatures and snowfall. Gritting will continue if freezing temperatures remain through the day.</p> <p>Clear walkways & drop off areas to be used after snowfall.</p>	2	2	4	<p>Staff are aware they are responsible for sticking to paths which are clear and safe to use, and will not attempt to use unsafe or obstructed paths.</p> <p>Staff able to assist with gritting/clearing paths etc. should be established</p>	

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					<p>Areas that cannot be cleared, or that are not essential for the running of the school, will be avoided by staff and pupils.</p> <p>The Head will decide on the day whether outdoor play is suitable.</p> <p>If outdoor play goes ahead, additional supervision may be required. This will be assessed by the Head based on severity of weather.</p> <p>Priority will be given to commonly used routes and slopes/staircases that cannot be avoided.</p> <p>Emergency exits and escape routes will be cleared, providing at least 1m walkways.</p>				<p>prior to being required. This is so that they can be given appropriate training and where necessary, appropriate footwear.</p>	
Travel in adverse weather.	Staff Pupils	2	2	4	The Head will make the decision, based on current conditions and predictions of weather over the	1	1	1	The school has an adverse weather policy in place for maintaining	

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					<p>next 24 hours, whether or not the school is safe to open.</p> <p>Staff and Parents will be informed that they should only travel to site if it is safe to do so.</p> <p>The school will maintain communication with parents during adverse weather, to avoid unnecessary journeys.</p> <p>The school will maintain contact with school transport providers and regularly review changing weather conditions. It may be necessary to close the school early in certain situations, to ensure staff and pupils can return home safely.</p>				<p>provision during adverse weather, where it is safe to do so.</p> <p>A nominated local member of staff will monitor weather conditions during adverse weather, and assess, in conjunction with SLT, whether it is safe to open the school.</p>	
Gritting/Clearing Snow – Manual Handling	Staff	2	2	4	Staff nominated to clear walkways or grit have appropriate manual handling training.	1	1	1		

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				<p>Staff nominated to clear walkways or grit have appropriate clothing, footwear and equipment (shovels, grit spreader)</p> <p>Only areas key to the opening of the school will be cleared. Large areas such as play areas or sports fields will not be cleared.</p>					
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Initial Assessment Review Date	Risk Assessment assessed, reviewed by the following competent person:	September 2021 September 2022
Name (PRINT)	MRS E SOLOMON	HEADTEACHER
Signature:	<i>E Solomon</i>	
Next Review Date: October 2023	You should review your risk assessment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> if it is no longer valid if there has been a significant change 	

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