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Sample Risk Assessment for our Smoothie Bike

This is a SAMPLE risk assessment: we recommend that you use it to give you ideas when carrying out your own risk assessment, which will include any other risks that are specific to your event, the location where you are holding it, your users, or any other hazards relating to the equipment which you judge may cause harm to people at your event.

What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	Likelihood 1 = not likely 2 = likely 3 = very likely	Level of harm 1 = minor injury 2 = moderate injury 3 = serious injury	Action that will be taken to prevent this hazard	Responsible person who will make sure that action is taken
Smoothie bike is quite heavy and awkward to manoeuvre	Those who are transporting the smoothie bike could injure their backs	2	1	Advice will be given on correct lifting procedures to prevent injury (using guidance from www.hse.gov.uk or other sources).	
				Handlebars can be removed from the smoothie bike for ease of transportation if required.	
Uneven ground	Smoothie bike may be unstable and riders could fall off / the bike could fall over	2	2	Bike will be positioned on a flat, stable piece of ground. A volunteer will steady the bike whilst it is in use, with one foot on the bike stand.	
Spinning bike wheel	Clothing of those holding the bike steady or those riding the bike could get caught.	1	2	Bike use will be supervised by adults at all times. Volunteers operating the bike will not wear scarves, ties or other flowing	

	Children could get their fingers trapped.			clothing.
				The bike has spoke covers.
Spinning blender blade that does not automatically stop when lid is removed	Those making smoothies	2	3	The blender lid and blender will not be removed from the bike whilst the blender blade or bike wheel are spinning.
				A volunteer will hold the lid of the blender in place whilst the bike is in use.
				Fruit will be poured into the blender from a cup and not put in by hand.
Sharp knives	Those doing fruit preparation might cut their	1	3	Knives will be stored safely when not in use.
	fingers.			Knives will not be left in washing up bowls.
	Children might pick up the knives and hurt themselves or others.			Knives will only be used by adult
				volunteers/staff.
Food hygiene	Those drinking smoothies might become ill from bacterial infection	1	2	All fruit will be used within its best before date.
				Those preparing fruit will wash their hands before touching food or utensils.
				Fruit and ice will be taken from bowls using spoons, not hands.
				Chopping boards and knives provided will be suitable for raw fruits/vegetables.
Food allergies	Those drinking smoothies or coming into contact with the bike might have allergic reactions	1	2	Only fruit will be used (no nuts or dairy products).
				All foods will be clearly labelled and spoons kept in the appropriate bowls.