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SLIPS, TRIPS AND FALLS POLICY

STATEMENT OF INTENT

Our team has statutory obligations under the Health & Safety at Work Act to ensure a safe working environment. The Workplace Health, Safety & Welfare Regulations require any floor surface to be suitable for its purpose and kept free from hazard or obstruction which may cause a person to slip, trip or fall.

DEFINITIONS

Slip: To slide accidentally causing the person to lose their balance.

Trip: To stumble accidentally over an obstacle, causing the person to lose their balance.

Fall: An event which results in the person coming to rest on the ground or another surface.

AIM

This policy is to ensure so far as is reasonably practicable, the health, safety and welfare of employees in relation to the risks associated with slips, trips and falls at work. It aims to:

Provide a safe working environment which, as far as is reasonably practicable, is free from hazards that contribute to slips, trips and falls.

Satisfy its obligations under Health & Safety at Work Act and The Workplace Health, Safety & Welfare Regulations.

PROCEDURE

As a team we will put measures in place to adequately control the risks associated with slips, trips and falls at work as far as reasonably practicable. These measures will include:

Promote safety awareness amongst all staff

Risk assessments will be undertaken and followed, with daily visual checks carried out

EMPLOYEE RESPONSIBILITIES

Maintain a clear and tidy work area to reduce the likelihood of hazards.

Clear up spillages and use appropriate signage to warn people of hazards.

Report any defects in systems, practices or equipment.

Attend training when required to do so.

Take reasonable care of their own health and safety and that of others.

Inform their manager when they believe that there is a risk of injury.

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