

Task/Operation:	Use of hand tools		
Group(s) affected:	DCS staff, volunteers, public site users.		
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Reviews			
Next Review Required	Date actually reviewed	Changes Required? (Yes/No)	Assessor Signature
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<b>20.10.2006</b>			

Hazard	Resultant effect(s)	Before control			State control measures and person responsible to action each one	After control		
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Hand / arm injury from incorrect technique & use of tool	Strain injury , potential for cut & abrasion injury to user or those nearby. Manual Handling injury.	2	2	4	Task supervisor to instruct on correct use techniques. Appropriate PPE to be worn at all times.Task management to include safe work distance criteria. Correct manual handling techniques applied.	1	1	1
Unsafe handling due to poor weather conditions	As above	2	2	4	Task supervisor to end task if weather declines if use of hand tools becomes unsafe.	1	1	1
Operator fatigue	As above	2	1	2	Task supervisor to ensure regular rest periods taken. Job rotation to be observed. Tasks to be allocated in accordance to operators physical ability.	1	1	1
Injury from use of poorly maintained tools.	Fatigue, strain, cuts, abrasion	2	2	4	Tool condition checked prior to use by task manager. Maintenance system to be in place, damaged items removed from service.	1	1	1

