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| Ref. CAT 28 | Task/Activity: Use of Hand-Held Food Blenders | Assessment date: |
| Unit No: | Unit name/location: | Assessed by: |
| **Hazard** | **Safety Risk** | Safe System of Work / Control Measures |
| Contact with moving machine partsUnguarded bladesStriking by falling blenderElectrical hazards**Food Blenders in use in this site are:** | Cuts and lacerationsAmputation of fingers and thumbsImpact injuriesElectric shock | * Food blenders only to be used by trained employees.
* Food blenders only to be dismantled and cleaned by trained employees of 18 years of age or over.
* Follow manufacturers’ user instructions where these are available
* Food blenders to be maintained by competent persons and in accordance with manufacturer's guidance where available.
* Food blenders to be placed on a firm level surface and used where there is adequate provision of workspace and lighting.
* The container or bowl to be of adequate size to contain the foods during blending.
* Parts of the machine containing electrical components must not become wet when immersing the blender into liquids.
* Food blenders must be held, under control, and not left unattended when in use.
* After use, and before cleaning it, the machine must be isolated from the electricity supply (switch off at mains **and** remove the plug from the socket) and at all times, care must be taken to keep hands away from the cutting blades.
* Food blenders to be securely stored when not in use to prevent them falling.
* Implement the Safe System of Work/Control Measures in Electrical Safety Risk Assessment, Ref. MAN 05.
* **Mandatory Hand Protection PPE to be Provided for cleaning – Nitritech II – order code Q2136**
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| **Who may be affected by the task/activity?****(Tick all applicable boxes)** |
| Compass employees/Agency staff |  |
| Customers / Client staff |  |
|  / Members of the Public |  |
| Maintenance personnel |  |
| Delivery personnel |  |
| Other (specify below) |  |
| **IMPORTANT - This risk assessment should be reviewed every 3 years, or whenever there is a significant change in the task or activity and following any accident or incident involving this task or activity. This risk assessment must be retained for a period of 6 years.** |