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| Ref. CAT 39 | Task/Activity: Use of Slicing Machines | Assessment date: |
| Unit No: | Unit name/location: | Assessed by: |
| **Hazard** | **Safety Risk** | Safe System of Work / Control Measures |
| Exposed cutting bladeIncorrect use of slicing machineEntanglementElectrical hazardsManual handling**Slicing machines in use in this site are:** | Cuts and lacerationsAmputationBruisingElectric shockBack and muscle strain | * Slicing machines only to be used by trained employees, all users must complete the Preventing Cut Injuries Safety Conversation 2
* Slicing machines only to be dismantled and cleaned by trained employees of 18 years of age or over.
* Slicing machines to be maintained by competent persons and in accordance with manufacturer's guidance where available
* Slicing machines to be securely sited to ensure stability, with adequate workspace.
* A sign to be displayed adjacent to the machine and in view of the operator stating “Unauthorised persons not to use this machine”.
* All operating and isolating switches to be conveniently accessible to the user.
* Slicing machines to be fitted with all necessary guards and safety interlocks, which must be in good working order.
* Employees to ensure that clothing cannot become entangled in slicing machines.
* Slicing machines must not be used to slice slippery, small or unevenly shaped food such as tomatoes or cucumbers that cannot be securely clamped to the carriage.
* A blade carrier must always be used where the blade has to be removed for cleaning.
* Implement the Safe System of Work/Control Measures in Electrical Safety Risk Assessment, Ref. MAN 05, including an annual PAT test
* Implement the manual handling safety precautions where slicing machines need to be moved to and from their place of use.
* **For Sector Specific Controls please review and complete the box below.**
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| **Who may be affected by the task/activity?****(Tick all applicable boxes)** |
| Compass employees/Agency staff |  |
| Customers / Client staff |  |
| Visitors / Members of the Public |  | Please review your Sector Specific Guidance to determine if you are required to wear PPE as part of your sector Risk Profile, where PPE is a requirement please record here the PPE required for the task and if it is not a requirement please tick the relevant box;

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PPE is not required for this task based on our Sector Risk Profile

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PPE is required for this task based on our Sector Risk Profile and the PPE to be issued is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Ensure all persons required to wear this PPE sign the PPE Record of Issue document and a copy of this is kept on their Personnel File. |
| 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.** |