

Risk Benefit Assessment for Face Painting

Benefit of Experience:

1. Sharing skills with children and young people
2. Creative experience for children
3. Therapeutic, rewarding and opportunity for self expression
4. Supports imaginary play
5. Can provide sensory stimulation for children
6. Encourages choice
7. face painting encourage specific play types, (EG creative play, fantasy play).
8. Staff ensures activity is inclusive and all can join in ensuring that all are able to make a positive contribution.

Steps	Hazard / Risk	Risk Rating (Likely hood x Severity)	Action to Control Risk	Revised Risk Rating	Responsible person
Select appropriate area to face paint	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trip hazards / slippy surface enabling child to fall. • Blocking access routes. 	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that the area selected is free of trip hazards and has been ground checked prior to commencing. • Ensure area selected does not restrict access. 	Low	Play Worker
Provide wide range of face paints, brushes and pictured options for children.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unhygienic brushes • Children putting brushes up their nose / ears / mouth 	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean brushes before use. • Appropriate supervision. • First aid kit and first Aider present • play staff ensure that materials used are safe for use with children. 	Low	Play Worker
Paint faces of children	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skin conditions causing discomfort / irritation • Paints leaving marks afterwards • Paints in the eye causing irritation • Poor design resulting in 	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use Snazaroo's Face Paints only • Child must be 3+ for face painting • Parental approval required • Ask if child has sensitive skin • Avoid contact with the eyes and leave 5 mm gap • Staff should have an induction and on job training before participating. 	Low	Playworker

	complaint		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep baby wipes to remove paint 		
Clear away	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unhygienic brushes • Paints drying out. 	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean all brushes with warm water and dry with paper towels before putting away • Wipe down paints with baby wipe and cling film face paint to keep moist. • Store in correct place. 	Low	Playworker