

Project:	Workshop/Yard Operations	RA No:	15	Review Date
Operation / Task:	Use of Vehicle Washdown Facilities and Equipment	Persons at risk:	Operatives, Bystanders	31/01/2027
Location / Area:	All Depots	Public at risk:	No	
Monitoring Responsibility:	Depot Manager, Workshop Manager, Workshop Foreman, Operatives and Supervisors, HSQE Team			

KEY

S = Severity Rating

- Negligible
- Minor Injury
- Major Injury (RIDDOR)
- Fatality
- Multiple Fatality

L = Likelihood of Occurrence

- Improbable
- Remote 1 – 10%
- Possible 10 – 50%
- Probable 50 – 90%
- Almost certain 90%+

RR = Risk Rating

Severity	5	4	3	2	1
5	5	10	15	20	25
4	4	8	12	16	20
3	3	6	9	12	15
2	2	4	6	8	10
1	1	2	3	4	5
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Activity	Hazards/Risks Identified	Risk Rating			Control Measures	Residual Risk			Responsibility
		S	L	RR		S	L	RR	
Use of vehicle wash down facilities and high pressure washing equipment. Pollution control measures, environmental protection measures	Slips, trips and falls due to wet or oily surfaces. Injection injuries to hands and eyes from high pressure jetting equipment Eye/hand injuries from flying debris during high pressure washing Falls from height from vehicles during washing down operations. Electrocution Pollution/contamination of local water courses and/or drains from oils, fuels, lubricants leaking from wash down facility.	4	3	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All operatives using high pressure washing equipment are to receive familiarisation training using the manufacturer's literature and be practically assessed to ensure they are competent. All surfaces to be regularly cleaned and kept free of oils and debris. Wash down area to be cleared of debris and contaminants after wash. down operations are complete. Safety boots to be worn at all times. Protective gloves/gauntlets/overalls/goggles to be worn at all times when using high pressure washing equipment. All high level washing to be carried out from mobile steps fitted with guard rails. Steps to be moved around as necessary and wheels locked at all times when in use. No over- reaching from steps. Platform of steps to be kept clean and free from oils, fuels, lubricants or debris which could cause slips, trips or falls. All equipment to be PAT tested at 3 monthly intervals. Pre-use inspection to be carried out by operatives every time equipment is used. If any defects are found do not use and report to supervisor. Labels to be affixed to equipment showing date of last and next PAT test due. If label is out of date do not use equipment. RCD to be tested prior to use. 	4	2	8	Depot Manager. Workshop Manager Workshop Foreman HSQE Team

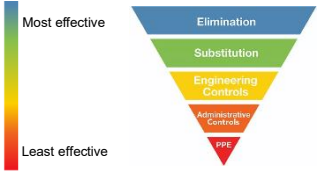
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Use of vehicle wash down facilities and high pressure. Pollution control measures, environmental protection measures	Failure of separator/interceptor installation due to blockages/overflow	4	3	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All cables, plugs, & sockets to be inspected for damage prior to use. If any defects are found do not use and report to supervisor. When washing down keep all electrical cables away from water and areas where they could be run over by other vehicles When working at height RA20 must be briefed. Full PPE must be worn at all times including gloves, eye and hearing protection. Oil separator to be emptied at regular intervals to prevent overflow 	4	2	8	Depot Manager. Workshop Manager Workshop Foreman HSQE Team

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