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### **Amusement & Inflatable Devices**

#### Who needs to read this?

All Curtin University Staff, Students and Contractors

#### Background

Amusement and inflatable devices are a great addition to many events. To enable these devices to be used at Curtin events or on Curtin lands by external event organisers commencing June 2024, processes around their safe use have been reviewed. Event organisers may now seek approval for the use of these devices for events provided all legislative requirements and applicable standards are met.

#### Information

Amusement and inflatable devices are two different types of equipment that operate in very different ways. Definitions of each is listed below.

- Amusement device means plant operated for hire or reward that provides entertainment, sightseeing or amusement through movement of the equipment, or part of the equipment, or when passengers or other users travel or move on, around or along the equipment. For example, a ride such as spinning teacups.
- **Inflatable device** means an amusement device that is an inflatable that relies on a continuous supply of air pressure to maintain its shape. For example, a bouncy castle.

#### **Key Messages**

As a minimum for any event involving these devices, organisers are required to:

- Engage only registered businesses who can provide proof of insurance
- All relevant persons managing, controlling or operating the device are required to be prequalified and workers inducted in Curtin's contractor system
- Submit and have an approved risk assessment for the use of the device within their event that includes consultation with all relevant stakeholders
- Comply with any relevant legislation and supporting documentation required by the regulator
- Operate the equipment within the vendors terms and conditions

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#### Who do you call with questions?

If you have any queries, please contact Health and Safety on 9266 4900 or email <u>healthandsafety@curtin.edu.au</u>.

#### References

For more information please refer to the Amusement Device & Inflatable Device Information sheet, available on the Health and Safety webpage.

WorkSafe Western Australia Information Sheet for Inflatable Amusement Devices WorkSafe Australia Newsletter for Operators of Inflatables

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