



Information Sheet

Amusement Devices and Inflatable Devices

PURPOSE

The purpose of this information sheet is to provide general information about managing hazards and risk controls in relation to amusement devices and inflatable devices in so far as they are relevant to a Curtin University (**Curtin** or **University**) workplace.

In this information sheet:

- **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.
- **Inflatable device** means an amusement device that is an inflatable device that relies on a continuous supply of air pressure to maintain its shape. For example, a bouncy castle.

This document contains *general information only* about managing hazards and risk controls in relation to amusement devices and inflatable devices in so far as they are relevant to a Curtin University workplace.

The *Work Health and Safety Act 2020 (WA) (WHS Act)* and supporting laws may contain duties that you must comply with, in relation to amusement devices and inflatable devices. You are responsible for familiarising yourself with the WHS Act and supporting laws to assess if you have any legislative duties and responsibilities, and if so, must comply with them.

SCOPE

You should refer to this information if you have management or control over an amusement device or inflatable device at a Curtin workplace (on or off campus). This might include if you own, hire, lease, handle, store, transport, inspect, maintain, or manage the use of an amusement device or inflatable device.

By way of examples, this Guideline might be relevant to the following persons. This is not an exhaustive list.

- Curtin and its workers / contractors who install, set-up or operate an amusement device or inflatable device at a Curtin workplace.
- Curtin and its workers / contractors who are responsible for contracting or otherwise engaging a third party to install, set-up or operate an amusement device or inflatable device at a Curtin workplace.
- Curtin and its workers, if they are directed in the course of their employment or engagement to install, set-up or operate an amusement device or inflatable device.
- A person conducting a business or undertaking (e.g. landlord or tenant), who installs, sets up or operates an amusement device or inflatable device on a Curtin Western Australia (WA) campus.

MANAGING HAZARDS AND RISKS

Consultation between parties

Persons involved in managing or controlling an amusement device or inflatable device must consult with each other to manage hazards and risks associated with an amusement or inflatable device.

Consultation between all relevant persons is necessary to ensure that suitable responsibilities are identified and assigned or shared appropriately (for example, this might include the landowner, event organiser, device operator, etc). Consultation is an ongoing obligation that must occur on all occasions an amusement device or inflatable device will be used.

Risk Management

Curtin expects at least the following risk management measures to be implemented:

- Event organisers are to only engage registered businesses, who can provide proof of insurance.
- A risk assessment must be submitted and approved in Curtin's Risk Assessment system. Consultation with relevant stakeholders must occur prior to submission of the risk assessment.
- All relevant persons managing, controlling or operating the device must complete the required Curtin induction before the device is installed, set up or otherwise used.
- Curtin event organisers are to operate these devices in within the vendors terms and conditions.

This is not an exhaustive list and all persons involved in the control or management of an amusement device or inflatable device must ensure they are taking a tailored approach in each instance. Consultations between the relevant parties may identify different or additional appropriate risk management responsibilities to those listed above.

All persons must familiarise themselves with their own legislative duties and responsibilities as outlined in the *Work Health and Safety Act 2020 (WA)* and supporting laws. Curtin also encourages all persons involved in the control or management of an amusement device or inflatable device to read the Safe Work and WorkSafe materials linked in the section below.

Nothing in this document should be construed as a representation by Curtin.

RELEVANT DOCUMENTS/LINKS

[WorkSafe Western Australia Information Sheet for Inflatable Amusement Devices](#)

[WorkSafe Australia Newsletter for Operators of Inflatables](#)

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