

# Partytime Risk Assessment for Inflatables

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Inflatable hire does not include supervision; this can be hired at additional cost.

This is a risk assessment: we recommend that you use it to carry out your own risk assessment, which will include any other risks that are specific to your event, the location where you are holding it, or your users.

## Putting up and taking down and securing the Bouncer: Partytime

What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	Likelihood 1 = not likely 2 = likely 3 = very likely	Level of harm 1 = minor injury 2 = moderate injury 3 = serious injury	Action that will be taken to prevent this hazard	Responsible person who will make sure that action is taken
Bouncy Castle is very heavy to lift and manoeuvre	Those who are transporting the bouncy castle, putting it up, or taking it down could injure their backs.	2	1	At least one physically fit person will collect, lift or move the Bouncy Castle with the trolley provided.  Advice will be given on correct lifting to prevent injury (using guidance from <a href="http://www.hse.gov.uk">www.hse.gov.uk</a> or other sources)  At least two people will roll up the Bouncy Castle, following instructions, and secure it with the ropes provided	Partytime
Long electric power cable	Those who are setting up other stalls at the event And other attendees could trip on the cable	2	1	We use high visibility yellow cable. We secure it where required as it is laid down.	Partytime

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Damage to the electric power cable	Anybody who touches the damaged cable could be electrocuted	1	3	Unroll the electric cable, and check the full length of the cable, plus any plugs or sockets.  Ensure that the power cable is plugged into power supply that has a trip switch or use the power breaker supplied.	Partytime
Heavy duty stakes to be driven in using mallet, and removed at the end of the day	Those banging in the stakes could hit their hands  Others in the area could be hit with the mallet	2  1	1  2	Hold the stakes halfway down when banging them in  Knock the stakes sideways using the mallet before trying to pull them out  Make sure the area is clear of other people	Partytime
The Bouncy Castle is wet when it's put away	Those rolling the Bouncy Castle up could be injured as it will be slippery and heavier if wet.	2	2	If possible, the bouncy castle will be dried out before it is put away  At least 2 people will put away and lift the Bouncy Castle if it's wet	Partytime
Bouncy Castle blower, Anchor points and other equipment around the Bouncer.  Anchor points become untethered.	People could trip over the blower or stakes and injure themselves, or cut off the power and cause the Bouncy Castle to deflate.  The bouncy castle could move or tip, causing injury to the children on it.	1	3	Those setting up the Bouncy Castle will mark off the blower area with fencing, hazard tape or cones, stakes will be at ground level.  The Bouncy Castle will be tethered securely to anchor points or weights. It will not be put up in winds above force 5	Partytime

## Using the Bouncer: At least one adult must supervise the Bouncer at all times

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Adults or older children jumping on the Bouncy Castle	Adults and older children could jump over the sides of the castle  The seams of the castle could split causing it to deflate quickly and injure those who are on it.	2	3	The height restriction of 1.5m, and age restriction of 12 years, will be strictly enforced by those running the event.	The Hirer *
Larger children colliding with smaller children	Smaller children could be injured	2	3	Children will be grouped by age, and limited to 8 children at any one time	The Hirer *
Children jumping off or falling off the front of the Bouncy Castle	Children could be seriously injured	1	3	Crash mats will be put down in front of the Bouncy Castle  At least one adult supervisor will be at the front of the Bouncy Castle at all times, and will ask children to move back if they come too close to the front of the Bouncer	The Hirer *
Children colliding with each other whilst on the Bouncy Castle	Children could be injured	3	1	Those supervising the Bouncy Castle will ensure that children do not intentionally bump into each other or become overly boisterous.	The Hirer *

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Sharp objects that could puncture the Bouncy Castle	Children on the Bouncy Castle could be injured by sharp objects on the Bouncy Castle or if the Bouncy Castle got punctured and deflated	1	3	If the Bouncy Castle is to be set up on concrete or gravel this must be checked thoroughly before use.  Children must remove their shoes and any other sharp objects before they go on the Bouncy Castle	The Hirer *
Bouncy Castle gets wet	Children might slip and injure themselves	2	2	The Bouncy Castle will not be used if it rains, and will be dried completely before children are allowed on it Food and drink will not be allowed on or near the Bouncy Castle	The Hirer *
People going on the Bouncy Castle after the event has finished and it is no longer being supervised	People may disregard the guidelines for safe use and injure themselves or others If they were injured there maybe no one to help them.	2	3	The bouncy castle will be supervised the whole time it is inflated, and will be taken down as soon as possible after the event has finished.	The Hirer *
Using a generator. A generator will not be supplied by Partytime	If other appliances are run from the generator there could be a reduction in power causing it to deflate	2	3	No other appliances should be plugged into the generator	The Hirer
Generator. You may need to supply a generator. 240v 1.5kw per castle.	The generator could catch fire, injuring those near it  The generator can be hot and give off fumes.	2	2	A fire extinguisher must be kept near the generator. Fuel must be safely stored.  Position the generator well away from the bouncer, children and adults.	The Hirer