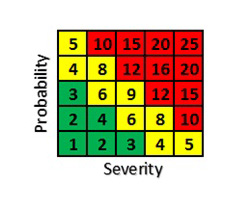
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| Risk Assessment Name:  **Removing medical waste from a 240ltr, 360ltr or 770ltr wheelie bin** | Customers Site | Assessment Type: General | **Elite logo** |
| Assessment Date: | 1/5/25 | Review Period: | Annually |
| Approved by: | Gareth Lewis | Review Date: | 1/5/26 |
| Approved date: | 1/5/25 | Reference: | ELI 009 |

| **Hazard** | **Who might be harmed and how?** | **Existing controls?** | **What further controls/actions are required?** | **Timescales for further actions to be completed**  **(within …)** | **Risk Rating**  **(LxS)** |
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| Slips and Trips | All Elite Service Engineers  Customers Staff  The public  Likely injuries include cuts, bruises, sprains/strains, fractures, head injuries, internal injuries. | Safe systems of work for installing, servicing and removal of equipment.  Must close off all toilet areas to replenish/service items.  Engineers are provided with and required to use when necessary appropriate personal protective equipment.  Personal Protective equipment includes safety footwear, high visibility clothing, head protection, eye, ear hand protection and respiratory protective equipment.  Engineers to be trained and familiar with the working conditions at the type of premises that they visit. | Engineers are instructed that if conditions at the site or the access to the service equipment on which they are to work are not acceptable they should not start work until remedial action has been taken. | Ongoing | 1x3= 3  Low |
| COVID 19 | All Elite Service Engineers  Customers Staff  The public  Contraction Covid 19 Coronovirus. | Engineers are instructed to use all appropriate and relevant PPE equipment as advised on a regular basis when working on site and to keep washing their hands on a regular basis.  Engineers will adhere to the ‘two metre’ rule to distance themselves at all times whilst working out in the field.  Must close off bin areas to collect waste.  Engineers will not request customers to provide an electronic signature or to complete a customer survey on their mobile devices during this time and whilst the virus remains a threat.  **COVID 19 PPE:**   * KN95 safety masks * Disposable safety gloves * Extra uniform that must be changed and washed daily * High Visibility vest with 2m social distance Logo’d on reverse. * Vehicle mounted hand Sanitizer stations. |  |  | 1x3=3  Low |
| Lone Working | All Service Engineers  Likely injuries are slips, trips, falls, strains, sprains, bruising, fractures, and sudden illnesses. Aggressive behaviour from other people at sites or on the road. | Safe systems of work.  Induction Training.  Trained in emergency procedures.  Worker to be provide with a company mobile phone in case of emergencies. To be used also to check in and let managers know they have left work safely.  Health questionnaire issued to find out if the worker has any medical issues we should be made aware of.  First aid equipment on all vehicles  Conflict resolution training |  |  | 1x3= 3  Low |
| Manual Handling  Loading and Unloading of vehicles | All Service engineers.  Heavy lifting of items. – Reaching and Bending. Likely injuries include back problems, strains, sprains, neck injuries. | Safe System of work.  Vehicles to be reversed up to bin area where possible to shortan the distance to travel.  Trolleys to be provided for vehicles which cannot park near the building due to no space to park.  Manual handling training  Workers to assist each other getting refuse bags out of the vehicles – 1 worker inside the vehicle passing items to another worker at ground level. |  |  | 1x3= 3  Low |
| Hazardous Substances  Biological Material in Waste being handled. | Elite Service Engineers  Customers Staff  The public  Blood, Risk of contracting Blood Bourne virus from needle stick injury. Used needles are occasionally found in waste bags. | Immunisation against Hepatitis and Tetanus.  Safe System of Work.  Induction training is provided.  PPE provided – latex gloves, puncture proof gloves and safety shoes.  Manual handling technique training.  Health questionnaire  Health surveillance  Refresher Training for all staff handling waste.  Assess customers premised prior to work commencing.  All workers to receive further training on how to deal with contaminated sharps found in waste. |  |  | 1x3=3  Low |

**1= Highly Unlikely 3= Likely 5= Highly Likely**

### 1= Minor Injury/Harm 3= Major Injury/Harm 5= Fatality What do the risk ratings mean?

Risk is categorised as LOW: Look to reduce risk if practicable

Risk has been categorised as MEDIUM: Begin to plan your action to reduce the risk immediately

Risk has been categorised as HIGH: Immediate action required to reduce the risk

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| Signed:  G Lewis | Date: 10/1/25 | Review Date: 1/5/26 |