



## GENERIC RISK ASSESSMENT RECORD

- This risk assessment relates to those hazards *specific to an activity*. It must ensure that all the precautions necessary to reduce the risk have been implemented.
- This generic *will be used with a local/site risk assessment*, which takes into account local circumstances, and persons involved.
- The level of risk is assessed using the *level of risk matrix (form F911D)*

ACTIVITY ASSESSED		ASSESSED BY:	ASSESSMENT DATE
E04 WOODCHIPPERS			N.B. Generic risk assessment must be reviewed at least every 3 years.
HAZARD (Potential for harm)	LEVEL OF RISK (Severity) Low /Medium/ High	PRECAUTIONS TO BE IMPLEMENTED (to remove hazard; or reduce risk level to an acceptable level) (NOTE: one precaution may tackle several hazards)	
Contact with moving machinery		Emergency shut off procedures must be made clear to all on site No part of the body must be placed in feed chute Woodchipper must be stopped and disconnected from power before trying to free any blockage	
Contact with petrol		Use gloves when mixing/ filling with petrol/ oil/ diesel	
Electricity		All cabling and connections must be sound and free from damage. Electric powered chippers must operate at 110v All extension cables must be fully unwound.	
Fire		Fuel must be stored at least 30m away from the work area in a shaded location	
Flying debris		Hard hats and impact resistant goggles (BS EN 166) must be worn by all operators of woodchippers Maximum recommended size of material for the chipper must not be exceeded. Prevent access to discharge area by taping off the area and erecting hazard and no entry signs	
Inexperienced operator		New operators of woodchippers must be instructed and supported by a competent operator prior to starting work and during operations Manufacturer's instructions for operation and maintenance must be available and followed only trained and competent and WWT approved persons to operate machinery i.e. Operators of woodchippers must be trained and competent before working unsupervised	
Noise		<b>Operator and anyone working within 5m of the woodchipper must wear ear defenders</b>	
Overcrowded work area		<b>The numbers of workers at the in-feed area of the woodchipper WILL BE LIMITED to two (2)</b>	
Uneven ground and tripping hazards		Sturdy footwear with a good grip must be worn by all operators.	