



## 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
E08 MOWERS (REVISED OCTOBER 2010)			
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)	
Pedestrian controlled mowers and ride on Mowers  Contact with moving parts/blades  Contact with hidden objects in grass and dog faeces  Flying debris  Exhaust fumes  Vibration and Noise  Fire  Over turning vehicle (crush injury)  Contact with Fuels		All mower operators must receive training, instruction and supervision from a competent operator.  Engine must be stopped and spark lead disconnected before any maintenance or cleaning is done.  Ground must be cleared of debris and checked for dog fouling before work commences. Dog fouling must be removed before commencing work. Operators and workers close by must wear trousers, long sleeves and protective gloves to prevent debris injuries.  Mower must not be run indoors to avoid fume build up.  A noise assessment must be undertaken if prolonged and frequent use is planned. All operators of mowers and workers within 5m zone of the operator must wear ear defenders. Breaks must be taken every tank of fuel to reduce fatigue and vibration disorders (e.g. hand arm vibration syndrome). Gloves to be worn whilst operating mowers.  Machine must be allowed to cool before refuelling. Mower must be maintained as per manufacturer's instructions. Cleaned after each use and maintained/serviced annually. Mowers must not be used or refuelled within 10m of naked flames.  All mower operators must receive training, instruction and supervision from a competent operator. Mowers must not be used by hand on slopes greater than 1:10. A rope must be used to control descent on slopes in order to prevent runaway.  Protective gloves must be worn when refuelling a mower, and handling fuel. Spill kit to be available to clear up any spills resulting in environmental contamination	