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Compass UK & Ireland HSE

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THE NEW BUILDING AND GROUNDS MAINTENANCE SERVICES WSMS DOCUMENTS

Teams at a significant number of Compass units are responsible for various aspects of Building and Grounds Maintenance and this was identified as a gap in our Workplace Safety Management System. To make sure that you can control the risks associated with these tasks and staff can be trained to carry them out safely, we have created the Building and Grounds Maintenance Services Pack, which consists of a Building and Grounds Maintenance Risk Assessment and Core Safety Task Cards (STCs). The pack is available from Linney or from your HSE manager in Ireland and the individual documents are also available to be downloaded from the WSMS webpage on the Compass HSE website.

The range of tasks carried out and the types of equipment used are vast, so to avoid creating a pack that contains lots of unrequired STCs, we have kept the Core STC list to a minimum. These cover general workshop and groundworks duties and the use of tools. There are a further 35 additional STCs which cover mowers, strimmers and trimmers, as well as various types of saws and other specialist tools, and much more. If this type of work is part of your team's duties, please go to MyLinney and purchase the pack and then select the relevant additional STCs from the website. Review and tailor the Risk Assessment as required and use the STCs to train your team. If you identify any gaps and require a task card for a task or piece of equipment that is not covered, please download and complete the additional Safety Task Card Request and send this, along with instructions for the equipment, photos of the equipment or any other information that you think may be useful, to HSE@compass-group.co.uk or ask your Sector Lead for guidance.

FOREIGN BODY INCIDENTS



MONTHLY SAFETY FOCUS

Most foreign bodies in food are an unpleasant and unappetising addition to a meal, which raise concerns about food hygiene practices in our kitchens. However, in some cases, foreign bodies can cause significant injuries such as broken teeth from biting onto a stone or piece of metal, or cuts of lips or the mouth from a piece of glass or sharp plastic. If swallowed sharp objects can even cause internal injuries with potentially life-changing consequences.

Everyone involved in food handling should play their part to remove foreign bodies where they are already present in food brought into our food premises, for example insects in salads. In addition, we need to prevent foreign bodies from getting into food in storage, preparation, and service areas.

Use the Safety Conversation: Foreign Body Food Contamination to make your staff aware about the various types of potential contamination and help them understand how to prevent foreign bodies, including pieces of metal, glass and plastic, soil, grit and stones, insects, and hair, from getting into our food.

All foreign body incidents, whether associated with bought-in or in-unit made foods must be reported and investigated. The Foreign Body Investigation Checklist is available on the [Compass HSE website](#). This should be used to record all required details of the incident and then be uploaded when you report the incident on AIR3.

Wherever possible the foreign body should be retained, labelled, and kept somewhere secure in case it is required for the investigation into the incident. Take a photo of the foreign body, preferably on a white or contrasting background, next to a ruler to show the perspective size of the object. There is a template you can use in the Foreign Body Investigation Checklist.

CYCLE SAFETY

TAKE HOME SAFETY

Did you know that Thursday, 1st August was cycle to work day? In fact, many of us are choosing to cycle as part of our daily routine over driving due to rising fuel prices. With those two things in mind here some tips for both cycling safely. If you would like more information, why not visit [THINK.gov.uk](https://www.think.gov.uk) or [RSA Cycle Safety](https://www.rsa.gov.uk)

Our top 5 tips for safer cycling:

1. Ride decisively, keeping at least 0.5 meters away from the kerb edge.
2. Before turning, stopping etc., look and clearly signal to show drivers what you plan to do; make eye contact where possible.
3. Always use lights after dark, but also at dusk and dawn, or when visibility is poor. Light-coloured or fluorescent clothing can also help other road users see you in daylight and poor light.
4. Wear a correctly fitted cycle helmet that is securely fastened.
5. Take care when passing parked vehicles, leaving enough room (a door's width or 1 meter) to avoid being hit if a car door is opened.



Safety In Numbers – July 2024

Information and Statistics Apply To All Compass Group UK&I Units



Safety Incidents

Hazards & Near Miss Incidents:	636
Injury Incidents:	297
Total Recordable Incidents:	65
RIDDOR Incidents:	05



Food Incidents

Alleged Food Poisoning:	26
Foreign Bodies (In Unit):	10
Foreign Bodies (Supplier):	06
Substantiated Allergies:	05
Enforcement Visits:	196



Top Injury Types

Slips, Trips and Falls	232
Cuts	109
Burns and Scalds	104



Safety Reminders



- Need help with accessing the AIR3 system and reporting an incident? Watch our new videos on the [AIR3 Page](#) now.
- **Did you know** chemicals have an expiry date, even the concerted ones? Be sure to rotate your chemical stock as well as food stock.
- Have you visited the updated and refreshed [Workplace Safety Management System](#) page of the website? The page is now easier to navigate with Safety Task Cards consolidated and links to the subheadings at the top of the page.

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