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| **Safety Task Card** |
| **CLN 14** | **Use of JLA barrier washing machine** |
| **Workplace Safety Hazards** |
| What are the hazards? | How might they be harmed? |
| Hot machine surfacesHot water and steamWashing chemicalsTrapping/EntanglementElectrical HazardsWet floorsManual handlingOzoneBiological hazardsDiscarded sharps | BurnsScaldsChemical injuriesCuts to fingers and hands Cuts and bruisesCrushing injuriesElectric shockSlips and fallsMusculoskeletal injuries Infections including bloodborne viruses |
| **Safe System of Work** |
| * Washing machines only to be used and cleaned by trained staff
* Follow manufacturer’s user instructions where these are available
* Equipment to be maintained by competent persons and in accordance with manufacturer’s guidance where available
* Machines to be designed so that the water and motor cut out automatically when doors are opened
* Staff to observe the rules and training when operating the machine
* Observe the door mechanism when opening, observing the training given. All personnel working in laundry to be trained in opening of machine and mechanism
* Staff to be trained in correct operating and emptying and filling of dryers – task specific manual handling risk assessment to be trained with everyone.
* Staff to stand back when opening the operating door or lid in order to avoid scalds form condensate and water vapour
* Conveniently accessible stop control button to be fitted on machines
* Trained staff aware of Ozone room alarm and procedure to follow if alarm is sounded
* Operators to observe entry time log. To be checked and controlled by supervisor.
* All dirty laundry to be handled using correct PPE – visually checking for discarded sharps. If found, follow correct disposal into a sharp bin.
* Floor maintained in a dry condition by implementing the control measures in the ‘Floor Safety and Safety Footwear’ risk assessment
* Spillages cleaned up as they occur, and wet floor warning signs used when appropriate
* Validation slip to be checked prior to load being put into dryer to confirm cleaning process has been effective to prevent spread of infection.
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| **Site Specific Actions**List any actions required in addition to the above safe system of work |
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| The above control measures are implemented within my unit. All relevant staff are aware of these control measures and this is recorded in the training record for this safety task card. |
| Unit Manager Name | Signed | Date |

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| **Safety Card Training Record** |
| **CLN 14** | **Use of JLA barrier washing machine**  |
| I confirm that I fully understand the risks and control measures associated with the taskand that I will follow the Safe System of Work at all times.  |
| Operative Name | Signature | Date |
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