

### What are the hazards and how might they harm?



Trip injuries caused by trailing cables or obstructions



Burns/scalds from contact with hot surfaces or steam



Electric shock as a result of contact with faulty equipment



Fire as a result of ignition of overheated items



Crush injuries, bruises, fractures, burns, amputation caused by entanglement

### What other precautions should be taken?



Visually inspect equipment and cable for any damage or defects, such as burn marks or frayed cables, before use

## Iron presses and rotary ironers

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Unit Managers – use page overleaf to list any hazards and control measures specific to your site which are not listed below

### Safe System of Work

1. Use the nearest electric power socket to reduce the length of cable and minimise trip hazards.
2. There must be no strain on cable and connections.
3. Equipment must be located so that it is stable and level.
4. Keep clothing out of reach of rotating parts and tie long hair back.
5. Keep hands away from the heater plate and from steam.
6. Do not drape laundry over equipment.
7. The iron must be turned off and disconnected from the power source when filling the water reservoir.
8. Do not unscrew the water reservoir whilst ironing with steam.
9. Never leave the iron unattended when it is on or while it is cooling.
10. Turn the switch to the off position and disconnect from the power source after use.

If you have any concerns, stop and speak with your line manager before proceeding.

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List any additional hazards or risks you have identified and control measures required to manage these.

SOP (Standard Operating Procedures)