

Health and Safety Policy



The Spark Group

The Spark Group is committed to providing a safe, healthy and supportive environment for all. We recognise our legal and moral responsibilities under the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 and other relevant UK regulations to protect the health, safety and welfare of everyone associated with our activities.

We aim to:

- Prevent accidents, injuries and work-related ill health
- Provide safe and healthy working and learning conditions
- Promote a positive health and safety culture where everyone plays their part

Legal Compliance

We will comply with all relevant UK health and safety laws, including:

- Health and Safety at Work Act 1974
- Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999
- Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH) Regulations 2002
- Manual Handling Operations Regulations 1992
- Display Screen Equipment (DSE) Regulations 1992
- Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations (PUWER) 1998
- Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations (RIDDOR) 2013
- Working at Height Regulations 2005
- Noise at Work Regulations 2005
- Construction (Design and Management) Regulations (CDM) 2015

Risk Assessment and Management

We will:

- Carry out regular risk assessments to identify hazards
- Implement control measures to reduce or eliminate risks
- Review and update assessments following significant changes or incidents
- Ensure employees and learners are informed about risks and required precautions

Emergency Preparedness

We will:

- Maintain up to date emergency response and evacuation procedures
- Display emergency information clearly within the training centre
- Provide trained first aiders and accessible first aid equipment
- Conduct regular fire drills and emergency exercises

Health and Safety Training

We will:

- Provide health and safety induction training for all new employees and learners
- Provide role specific training (e.g. first aid, fire safety, manual handling, fire extinguisher)
- Refresh training periodically to ensure ongoing awareness
- Encourage staff and learners to report concerns and suggest improvements

Participant Safety

We will:

- Ensure that all participants are aware of their responsibilities for their own safety and the safety of others
- Provide appropriate supervision for all activities, considering the age and ability of the participants

Reporting and Investigation

We will:

- Report and record all accidents, incidents, and near misses promptly and accurately
- Carry out Investigations to identify the causes of accidents and incidents, and corrective actions will be implemented to prevent recurrence

Monitoring and Continuous Improvement

We will:

- Regularly inspect premises, equipment and practices
- Monitor health and safety performance using records and reports
- Investigate accidents, incidents and near-misses, and implement correct actions
- Review this policy annually or after significant changes or events

Approval

This policy has been approved by The Spark Group's Senior Leadership Team.

Signed:

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