

## Hand Car Wash Fire Risk Assessment

Property address and use:	Waves / Tesco Hand Car Washes located in retail car parks		
Name of Responsible Person/Duty holder/Owner:	Franchisee		
Name of assessor:	David Newman MA, MIFireE, IOSH DPN Services Ltd		
Assessors signature:		Date of assessment:	

### STEP 1: IDENTIFY HAZARDS – Sources of Ignition

**Sources of ignition** - sources of ignition include heaters, lighting, naked flames, electrical equipment, smokers' materials (cigarettes, matches etc.), and anything else that can get very hot or cause sparks.

Hazard	Steps taken to remove the hazard	Steps taken to reduce hazard
Smoking on premises	Smoking is prohibited on the premises at any time	
Electrical appliances	There is a strict regime ensuring that all electrical appliances are subjected to periodic PAT testing	Staff must be made aware that if they are using portable heaters that they should be positioned well away from combustible materials
Cooking	This consists of toaster, kettle, and microwave oven only	Fire extinguisher located in the Site Office/Cabin
Electrical – wiring and appliances	The electrical installation has been subjected to a periodic 5 year inspection by a competent engineer.	Electrical appliances are subjected to portable appliance testing [PAT] periodically
Client's vehicles	Client's vehicles are allocated specific parking bays away from the site cabins or any other structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fire extinguisher located in the Site Office/Cabin</li> <li>• Staff have been trained as to actions to take in the event of a vehicle fire</li> </ul>

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### STEP 1: IDENTIFY HAZARDS – Fuel Sources

**Fuel Sources** - sources of fuel include wood, paper, plastic, rubber or foam, loose packaging materials, waste rubbish and furniture.

Hazard	Steps taken to remove the hazard	Steps taken to reduce hazard
Furniture and furnishings	All furniture complies with the current Fire Safety Regulations	Smoke detection is positioned to give early warning to the occupants in the event of a fire
Storage of combustibles	Unnecessary combustible materials should be removed to reduce the likelihood/impact of a fire	Smoke detection is positioned to give early warning to the occupants in the event of a fire
Motor vehicles	Vehicles should only be parked in allocated parking bays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fire extinguisher located in the Site Office/Cabin</li> <li>• Staff have been trained as to actions to take in the event of a vehicle fire</li> </ul>
Car washing products	Flammable materials to be located in the flame proof cabinet and subjected to COSHH data guidance in relation to use and storage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Only small quantities of flammable material to be removed from cabinet at any one time</li> <li>• Fire extinguisher located in the Site Office/Cabin</li> <li>• Staff have been trained as to actions to take in the event of a vehicle fire</li> </ul>
<b>ACTION REQUIRED:</b>	Nil	

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STEP 2: IDENTIFY PEOPLE AT RISK		
People at risk (including employees, visitors, contractors and neighbours.)		
People at risk	Why are they at risk	Measures in place to reduce/remove risk
Employees/visitors	It has been established that this is a relatively low risk environment for employees.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Employees have received training in relation to fire awareness and what actions to take in the event of a fire</li> <li>2. Adequate signage is present to assist with escape from the premises in the event of a fire</li> <li>3. Smoke detection is located in the office</li> <li>4. Adequate firefighting equipment has been installed and subjected to periodic visual checks</li> </ol>
<b>ACTION REQUIRED:</b>	Ensure that all staff have received the relevant training in relation to fire	

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### STEP 3: EVALUATE THE RISKS OF FIRE AND ASSESS EXISTING FIRE SAFETY MEASURES

Accidental (e.g. smoking materials, candles or toasters)

Hazard	Severity of hazard (Slight, Moderate, High)	Risk of fire (Unlikely, Likely, Very Likely)	Overall risk rating (High, Medium, Low)
Smoking	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cooking	Slight	Unlikely	L
Electrical appliances	Slight	Unlikely	L
Motor Vehicles	Moderate	Unlikely	L
<b>ACTION REQUIRED:</b>	No	No	

### STEP 4: RECORD SIGNIFICANT FINDINGS, ASSESS AND PLAN

Significant finding	Priority: Low, Medium or High	Details of remedial action (if any)	Completion Date & sign

#### Annual Assessment/Review

Assessment review date: 06/03/2025	Completed by: David Newman DPN Services Ltd	Signature:
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