

Sumo Experience Safety Assessment

The following table shows safety risks and the measures that have been designed to mitigate the risks.

Mitigation	Padded fat-suit	Padded helmet	Padded neck brace	Padded crash mat	Safety info on website	Safety warning and advice given at event time	Safety video played at event time	Safety video available on website	Organiser refused participation to non-compliant guests	Organiser ensure additional buffer zone around crash mat (22ft x 22ft)	First aid kit available & included for suits-only hire	Suspend use of smoke machine on report that anyone is susceptible to breathing difficulties	Organiser to prevent participants from competing in mismatched suits	Organiser to suspend event if conditions are not complied with	Equipment regularly checked and replaced as necessary
Safety risk															
General body injury	11/06/06				11/06/06					11/06/06					
Head injury		11/06/06			11/06/06					11/06/06					
Neck injury			11/06/06		11/06/06					11/06/06					
Back injury	11/06/06									11/06/06					
Arm / Hand / Wrist injury	11/06/06			11/06/06	11/06/06	11/06/06	TBI	TBI		11/06/06	11/06/06				
Facial / Dental injury				11/06/06	11/06/06	11/06/06	TBI	TBI		11/06/06	11/06/06				
Leg / foot injury	11/06/06			11/06/06	11/06/06	11/06/06	TBI	TBI		11/06/06	11/06/06				
Injury associated with jewellery / glasses					11/06/06	11/06/06	TBI	TBI	11/06/06						
Aggravation of existing conditions (e.g. heart / spinal / recent surgery)					11/06/06	11/06/06	TBI	TBI	11/06/06						
Risk to pregnancy					11/06/06	11/06/06	TBI	TBI	11/06/06						
Drink or drug related injury					11/06/06	11/06/06	TBI	TBI	11/06/06						
Risk from slipping (only applies in wet conditions)	11/06/06	11/06/06	11/06/06	11/06/06		11/06/06	TBI	TBI		11/06/06					
Injury resulting from reckless behaviour	11/06/06	11/06/06	11/06/06	11/06/06		11/06/06	TBI	TBI	11/06/06	11/06/06					
Risk of collision with non-participants	11/06/06	11/06/06				11/06/06	TBI	TBI		11/06/06	11/06/06				
Risk of neck injury by non-participants helping participant to his feet by lifting the head			11/06/06		26/08/08	21/01/07	TBI	TBI	21/01/07						
Risk of breathing difficulty caused to participants with respiratory problems (e.g. Asthma) by the use of a smoke machine						23/04/07	TBI	TBI				23/04/08			

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Safety risk															
Risk of injury due to mismatched participants (due to children's age or adult's sex)					26/08/08	26/08/08	TBI	TBI	26/08/08				26/08/08		
Risk of injury due to mismatched suit , neck brace or helmet size						26/08/08	TBI	TBI	26/08/08				26/08/08		
Risk of injury due to inappropriate composition of base (i.e. car park or concrete)														26/08/08	
Risk of injury due to equipment failure															01/07/09

A date is given where mitigation has been put in place. If a mitigation has been identified as appropriate, "TBI" (to be implemented) is given if a mitigation is desirable but not yet implemented

An accident book entry should be made for each event.

This safety assessment should be reviewed at least every 6 months or when ever new risks or mitigations are identified.

Change log

Reviewed on 21/01/2007 – new risk added

Reviewed on 11/06/2007 – no changes made

Reviewed on 11/07/2007 - minor textual corrections made

Reviewed on 26/11/2007 - no changes made

Reviewed on 24/04/2008 – added new safety risk and mitigation following the addition of a smoke machine

Reviewed on 26/08/2008 – added new safety risk and mitigation prompted by changes in public liability insurance exclusions

Reviewed on 14/01/2009 – removed inappropriate mitigation "inappropriate composition of base"/"mismatched suits"

Reviewed on 01/07/2009 – corrected wording of 'Organiser to suspend event if conditions are not complied with' mitigation. Also added new safety risk 'Risk of injury due to equipment failure' with mitigation 'Equipment regularly checked and replaced as necessary'