



The following procedure covers:

- Medical Contra-indications
- Groups of people with disabilities

Medical contra-indications

All customers prior to taking part must complete a waiver form.

All Staff should be familiar with the operator's list of contra-indications to safe participation on medical grounds which should include, but may not be limited to:

- forces and actions that could aggravate physical conditions
- excessive participant weight (which would increase the forces on the participant's body, would could lead to an increased risk of bone and joint damage and would be an indicator of general lack of fitness and appropriateness of the activity for the participant)
- circulatory conditions
- heart or lung conditions
- recent surgery
- back or neck conditions (including Rodded back and Brittle bones)
- high blood pressure
- spine, musculoskeletal or head injury
- Down's Syndrome
- Neck Instability
- Achondroplasia (disproportionate Dwarfism)
- Pregnancy

Customers who have **health problems or disability** may appear to pose a risk. Many persons will have been referred by a doctor for exercise and are often able to jump safely. If in any doubt in their ability to safely participate in Park activities customers should seek advice from their GP prior to taking part in any activity.

Customers with Down's Syndrome prior to taking part in such activities, will be asked to obtain evidence that a GP or Pediatrician has screened them using the screening test developed by the British Gymnastics Association for Atlanto-Axial Instability. Approval for participation that is signed by the GP or Pediatrician must be provided before taking part in any trampolining or inflatable activities.

Customers with Achondroplasia (disproportionate Dwarfism) should not participate/perform gymnastics skills which involve repeated jumping or rebounding.

Flashing lights might be used in the Battle Bar that might affect some people with epilepsy. Signage is displayed to warn customers.

Where a customer has **epilepsy, which is totally controlled by medication** and has been completely free from seizures for at least one year, no special precautions are necessary. However, the customer must be warned that flashing lights are used. This information should be provided in the safety briefing, by warning signage, and on the website.



Customers with **uncontrolled epilepsy** shall seek their GP's approval for trampolining and other forms of sports participation taking into account the following:

- The type, severity and frequency of seizures
- The presence or absence of warning signs
- Known trigger factors, (e.g. cold Park, stress, excitements, noise or dazzling lights on the Park surface)

Activities should **not** take place if:

- A person with uncontrolled epilepsy feels unwell
- During peak conditions

Groups of people with disabilities

Where **groups of people with disabilities** are using the Battle Bar, extra supervision may be required. As part of the risk assessment the following aspects must be considered:

- The group leaders should be consulted and consider persons with disabilities on an individual basis
- The number of trained staff required
- The number of helpers in the Park to provide support
- The number of other helpers available to provide additional assistance, especially in the event of an emergency requiring evacuation
- The training and competency of helpers
- The provision, type and location of safety signs and signals (both visual and audible)
- The maximum number of disabled persons that can safely be admitted into, and evacuated from a session with due regard to the above

Written evacuation procedures (PEEPs and GEEPs) should be completed for each individual and session being operated.

Action Required:

- ✓ Ensure that PEEPs and GEEPs are developed for individuals or groups with additional needs or disabilities.
- ✓ Ensure that members of staff are trained in this procedure as part of the health and safety induction training for all staff members and a refresher training programme is in place, the training must be recorded on the members of staff's **Individual Training Record**.

Associated Forms:

- Individual Training record

Associated Risk Assessments:

- Disabled Users and Groups Risk Assessment
- PEEPS and GEEPS
- Arcade



- Crazy Pool
- Seating Area
- Shuffle Board
- Electronic Darts
- Beer Pong
- Axe Throwing

Associated Guidance and Legislation:

- British Gymnastics, Health and Safety, Safe participation
- Downs Syndrome UK
- BSI PAS 5000:2017
- Control of Admissions Procedure
- Emergency Action Plan

Training on this procedure is required for the following staff:

- All Staff
- All Managers
- Receptionists and Multi Skilled Staff

Updates of procedure:

Revision	Issue	Description of Amendments	Date	Action By
2	1	None - First Issue	May 2021	Train designated staff and incorporate the procedure into QMS.

Date of Next Update:

This procedure is reviewed every two years or updated as and when necessary, the next review is January 2023.