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# How to Evaluate Risks in an H&S Risk Assessment?

## Description

Evaluating risks in an H&S risk assessment involves identifying hazards, determining who might be harmed, evaluating the risks, recording findings, and reviewing the assessment regularly.

## Identifying Hazards

- **Physical Hazards:** Machinery, noise, and slips.
- **Chemical Hazards:** Exposure to harmful substances.
- **Biological Hazards:** Bacteria, viruses, and other pathogens.
- **Ergonomic Hazards:** Poor workstation design.
- **Psychosocial Hazards:** Stress and workplace violence.

## Determining Who Might Be Harmed

- **Employees:** Directly involved in the task.
- **Visitors:** Present in the workplace.
- **Contractors:** Working on-site.
- **Public:** Affected by the organization's activities.

## Evaluating the Risks

1. **Likelihood of Occurrence:** Assess how likely the hazard is to cause harm.
2. **Severity of Harm:** Determine the potential impact of the hazard.
3. **Risk Rating:** Combine likelihood and severity to rate the risk.

## Recording Findings

- **Documentation:** Keep detailed records of identified hazards, risk evaluations, and control measures.
- **Action Plan:** Outline steps to mitigate identified risks.

## Reviewing the Assessment

- **Regular Reviews:** Conduct periodic reviews to ensure the assessment remains current.
- **Update Procedures:** Modify the assessment based on new hazards or changes in the workplace.

**Regularly evaluating risks in an H&S risk assessment ensures a safer workplace and compliance with legal requirements.**

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