Sample Template



Workplace Risk Assessment – Fixed Workplaces

This checklist is to be used as a guideline only, and should be modified to fit your workplace.

Ensure that all workplace areas and all types of work practice are covered during the risk assessment for workplace violence.

Company
Workplace Address
Phone Email

After adapting this template to fit your workplace, look at where you've answered yes or no to determine if there is a risk of violence at your workplace. For example, if you've answered YES to ANY question such as "Could someone hide at the bottom of the stairway?" or "Does the receptionist ever work alone?" then your workplace is considered to be at risk of violence and you must develop a code of practice to address those identified risks, or take measures to remedy them to eliminate the need for a code of practice. The same applies if you answered NO to ANY questions such as "Is there a way to identify visitors?", "Is there a security system?" or "Are phones easily accessible?"

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Section A		Yes	No
History of past violent incidents	 → Does the workplace have any incident reports? → Are there investigation reports? → Does the First Aid log contain any information? → Do JHSC minutes contain useful information? → Other? Specify 		
Is there information available specific to your industry?	 → Check with agencies to see if they have experience or advice to help → Local police department → Professional associations → Insurance company → Industry-specific publications → Other? Specify 		
Section B		Yes	No
Parking lots	 → Are lot entrances and exits clearly marked? → Is the lot well-lit? → Is access controlled? → Are company vehicles parked overnight? 		

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	→ Industry-specific publications → Other? Specify		
Section B		Yes	No
Parking lots	 → Are lot entrances and exits clearly marked? → Is the lot well-lit? → Is access controlled? → Are company vehicles parked overnight? → Have vehicles been broken into or stolen from the lot? → Other? Specify 		
Building perimeter	 → Are high violence risk businesses (banks, bars) nearby? → Is the workplace located in a densely populated area? → Is the building isolated from other buildings? → Is the entrance well-lit? → Is the building shared by other businesses? → Is building entry controlled by key or card? → Other? Specify 		
Security systems	 → Is there a security system? → Is it tested regularly (at least monthly)? → Is the system adequate? → Is there signage stating that there is a security system? → Does the system include mirrors or cameras? → Other? Specify 		

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Section B		Yes	No
Reception area	 → Is it visible and easily accessible? → Is reception staffed at all times? → Does the receptionist ever work alone? → Is there a way to identify visitors (sign in)? → Can visitors enter the building when no one is at reception? → Other? Specify 		
Stairwells	 → Are stairways and exits identified? → Can lights be turned off in the stairwell? → Is there more than one exit from the stairwell? → Could someone hide at the bottom of the stairwell? → Other? Specify 		
Elevators	 → Is there an emergency phone or call button? → Is there a response procedure for elevator emergencies? → Before entering, is it possible to see if the elevator is occupied? → Other? Specify 		
Washrooms	 → Do employees and the public use the same washrooms? → Is there key or card access to the washrooms? → Can the lights be turned off? → Other? Specify 		
Offices / Meeting rooms / Shop	 → Do the rooms have good visibility from other areas? → Does staff meet one-on-one with clients/customers? → Is furniture arranged to allow a quick exit? → Are employee offices separate from public spaces? → Are phones easily accessible? → Other? Specify 		
Sexual violence, domestic and intimate partner violence	 → Is there potential for employees to be exposed to sexual violence? → Is it possible for intimate partner violence or domestic violence to spill over into your workplace? 		
Other areas that should be considered?	→ → →		

You must consult with:

- □ JHSC or
- ☐ Health and safety representative or
- □ Employees