

Snow Ploughing Risk Assessment

Risk identified	Control measures in place	Risk (H/M/L)	Further action required?
Inappropriate or dangerous action by Contractor	<i>Memorandum of Understanding for Snow Clearance Services</i> signed by Contractor includes requirement for professional performance in accordance with legal requirements.	L	Existing procedure adequate.
Suitability of tractor to carry out work	Assessment of the vehicle carried out at the time of supply of the plough with tractor-specific linkage purchased. <i>Memorandum of Understanding for Snow Clearance Services</i> signed by Contractor includes requirement that he has suitable tractor.	L	Existing procedure adequate.
Snow plough not working properly	<i>Memorandum of Understanding for Snow Clearance Services</i> signed by Contractor includes requirement that he maintain the equipment in good order.	L	Existing procedure adequate.
Inadequate insurance cover	Contractor is responsible for insurance cover for the equipment and for himself as operator while the equipment is based on his premises and when in use.		Existing procedure adequate.
Damage to road surface, manholes and roadside signage	Contractor to be familiar with the local roads.	L	Only if change of Contractor.
Injury to pedestrians	Driver training – stop the tractor and allow pedestrians to walk clear.	L	
Blocking of gateways	Driver training – as much care as possible to be taken to keep access points clear.	L	
Tractor leaving the road in areas where the road is unfenced causing damage to verges and possibly tractor	Driver training - where needed the operator should mark the road edges with stakes before ploughing.	L	
Damage to private property	Driving training - operator to take care at all times to avoid damage to private property.	L	