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HAZARD	WHO IS AT RISK	RISK	MEASURE OF RISK	CONTROL MEASURE	REVISED RISK
Proximity of moving vehicles	Survey Staff / Police / Public	Collision with site vehicles or operatives	H	Ensure appropriate Traffic Management (signs, cones) has been installed in accordance with Traffic Signs Manual Chapter 8 and/or TA11/09, including Lifeline tape. Equip site vehicle with amber beacons to highlight its presence when stopped within TM; ensure staff wear high visibility clothing.	M
				Interviewers to remain on offside of interview vehicles, and within coned area, at all times,	L
				Vehicles for interview only to be stopped by a Police Officer.	L
Traffic Noise	Survey Staff	Not hearing instructions	L	Any additional safety instructions to be given individually to interviewers by the supervisors	I
Members of the public	Survey Staff	Physical or verbal intimidation/ assault	M	Ensure staff are provided with company identification badges and instructed to pass comments from public to office. Where public reaction is expected, staff will be provided with leaflets of explanation. Police officer on site.	I
Dust & Fumes	Survey Staff	Exposure to high levels of fumes and dust, especially on a hatched section of road or hard shoulder not regularly used by vehicles.	L	Restricting the amount of time employees spend on the survey by staff rotation will be the main control of exposure to dust and fumes. Respiratory Protective Equipment (RPE) can be provided if requested.	L
Variable working hours	Survey Staff	Tiredness while driving or during site work may arise from long/ split shift patterns	M	Programme work to allow for adequate rest breaks; provide overnight accommodation and subsistence as necessary.	I

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Access on Foot	Survey Staff	Unfamiliar / uneven ground. Trips and falls in proximity to moving traffic	M	When moving along the road, avoid walking in or close to the carriageway. If this cannot be avoided always walk on the offside to be facing approaching vehicles. Always wear sound footwear. Awareness of ground conditions at survey site to be observed, especially during wet weather. Key risks are wet vegetation, uneven verges, potholes on the road margin, protruding or hidden street ironwork	I
Exposure to adverse weather	Survey Staff	Illness or impaired performance of employees in extreme weather conditions, both heat and cold.	L	Ensure employees wear appropriate weatherproof clothing (e.g. Waterproofs / Sun Hats). Supervisor to carry spare clothing in site vehicle. Supervisor to provide advice on risks associated with exposure to the sun. Issue employees with warm weatherproof clothing. Exposure to UV rays requires controlling due to dehydration, sun burn, sun stroke and other related health issues arising from over exposure to sunlight. The survey rota will ensure that exposure to the weather is kept to minimum practical levels.	I

Related documentation

Employee Hazard Information Sheet - Roadside Interview Surveys

Project Specific Risk Assessment