

Levers, Pulleys and Gears Loans Box Hazard Identification Sheet

This Hazard Identification Sheet that lists each item in this Loans Box, its related hazards, and possible ways to reduce those risks (control measures).

It is important for your school to use this information to create your own risk assessment that fits your specific context and environment. Doing so helps ensure that any potential risks are properly identified and managed, keeping both pupils and staff safe while exploring STEM topics with the Loans Box. By taking responsibility for the risk assessment process, schools can make sure the activities and resources provided align with your existing safety protocols. We expect you to Risk Assess the use of the box, in line with your existing procedures, prior to using the materials with children.

All the items in the loans box are carefully checked by us prior to delivery to your school. If you find anything you believe to pose additional hazards to children (not identified on the sheet), please remove them from the box and contact us.

Item	Risks	Control measures
1 TERA	Trapped fingers in levers	Warn children not to put
	 Impact injury 	fingers in mechanisms
		• Warn children to watch out for
300 ms ms (1)		others when using the
Everyday levers for sorting		equipment



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Item	Risks	Control measures
Balancing lever	 Impact injury from flying objects 	• Warn children not to use lever to launch pieces into the air
Set of 100s of pre-cut levers	Choking hazard if used with split pins	• Warn children that they should not put equipment in their mouths
Wooden pulleys	 Strangulation injury from ropes Impact injury from wooden pulleys 	 Ensure children are supervised using equipment Warn children not to put ropes around necks Warn children to stand away from pulleys while in use



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Item	Risks	Control measures
<image/> <image/>	 Strangulation injury from ropes Impact injury from wooden pulleys Choking hazard – small pieces Stab injury 	 Ensure children are supervised using equipment Warn children not to put ropes around necks Warn children to stand away from pulleys while in use Warn children that they should not put equipment in their mouths Warn children that they should not push the pieces too hard into other pieces, themselves or others
Cam sets	Trapped fingers	 Warn children not to put fingers in mechanisms



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Item	Risks	Control measures
Syringes and tubes	 Strangulation injury from tubes Choking hazard – small pieces Stab injury 	 Warn children not to put ropes around necks Warn children that they should not put equipment in their mouths Warn children that they should not push the pieces too hard into other pieces, themselves or others
Balloons and pump	 Latex allergy Choking hazard – small pieces Stab injury 	 Check for allergies before use Warn children that they should not put equipment in their mouths Warn children that they should not push the pieces too hard into other pieces, themselves or others



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Class set of 20 gears packs	 Choking hazard – small pieces Stab injury 	 Warn children that they should not put equipment in their mouths Warn children that they should not push the pieces too hard into other pieces, themselves or others
3 sizes of cogs	 Choking hazard – small pieces 	 Warn children that they should not push the pieces too hard into other pieces, themselves or others

