

Risk Assessment

Hertford Museum Outreach session: Hertford's Home Front

Hazard/Risk	Control measure(s)
<i>Handling real and replica objects</i>	<p>Museum Learning Officer will explain and demonstrate appropriate handling of objects to the children as a group.</p> <p>Museum Learning Officer, class teacher and any other adults to supervise children at all times.</p>
<i>Handling heavy objects</i>	<p>Museum Learning Officer will explain appropriate handling of heavy objects to the class. Including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Never lift an object if you think it is too heavy. • Always use two hands to lift the object. • Never lift a (heavy) object above head-height. <p>Museum Learning Officer will not include unnecessarily heavy objects in the handling collection for this session.</p> <p>Museum Learning Officer, class teacher and any other adults to supervise children at all times.</p>
<i>Handling objects with small/delicate parts</i>	<p>Museum Learning Officer will explain appropriate handling of objects to the children as a group, including the risks of using objects with small parts and demonstrate how to avoid trapped fingers etc.</p> <p>Museum Learning Officer, class teacher and any other adults to supervise children at all times.</p>
<i>Dropped objects on hands/feet</i>	<p>Museum Learning Officer to explain appropriate handling of objects and set expectations of behaviour.</p> <p>Museum Learning Officer, class teacher and any other adults to supervise children at all times.</p>

<p><i>Handling gas masks</i></p>	<p>Where possible the asbestoses in the gas mask filters will have been removed.</p> <p>Museum Learning Officer will explain and demonstrate appropriate handling of gas masks to the group; they are not to be worn at any time under any circumstances and hands should be washed following gas mask handling and before preparing/eating food.</p> <p>Museum Learning Officer, class teacher and any other adults to supervise children at all times.</p>
<p><i>Handling food tins (real, c1940s)</i></p>	<p>All food tins will be empty of all original food stuffs etc.; however, to prevent any small chance of carry over/contamination hands should be washed following handling of these objects and before preparing/eating food.</p> <p>Museum Learning Officer will explain and demonstrate appropriate handling of these objects.</p> <p>Museum Learning Officer, class teacher and any other adults to supervise children at all times.</p>
<p><i>Handling first aid equipment (real, c1940)</i></p>	<p>All medical equipment shall be free of original liquids etc.; however, to prevent any small chance of carry over/contamination hands should be washed following handling of these objects and before preparing/eating food.</p> <p>Museum Learning Officer will explain and demonstrate appropriate handling of these objects.</p> <p>Museum Learning Officer, class teacher and any other adults to supervise children at all times.</p>