

Risk assessment Fire Spinning Name of Assessor Ewan Scott

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Risk Level	Risk	Mediation	Mediated Risk level	Review Comments	Notes
3	Spillage of fuel	Ensure stable surface and container	1		In all of this RA – refer to the Fire Spinning Safety Sheet
3	Spillage of fuel by performers	Ensure only one performer charges at any time	1		
3	Burn from over charged wicks	Spin off excess fuel in a “safe” area	1		
3	Burn from contact with wick (Staff)	Practice dry – only do “skilled” moves “live”	2		
3	Burn from Wick (poi)	Practice. Practice, practice with normal poi	2		Only proficient poi spinners should try with “live” wicks
3	Burns from flaming droplets	Spin off properly/ ensure a safe working space	1		
3	Slips and falls whilst performing	Ensure good footwear and a trip hazard free surface	1		
3	Burn from expired wicks	No handling of wicks till cool	1		
3	Burn from fuel running down staff	Spin off properly, only “stall” on the horizontal plane	1		
3	Risk of fire to clothing	No loose clothing to be worn. Check that clothing	1		NB – Polyester – as in Fleeces, does not burn. It

		is not flammable.			melts. This is why a "spin-off" is important.
3	Risk to hair burning	No hair product to be used. Long hair should be tied back. If possible wear a hat, and possibly wet hair before performing.	1		Wetting hair is only a precaution for those with longer hair.
3	Explosion from Fuel	Use only Paraffin	1		
3	Risk of fuel igniting	Ensure all flames are extinguished before immersion. Keep fuel away from performers, and covered.			