

## Risk Priority Chart

Likelihood  How likely is it to happen?	Consequences: How severely it hurts someone (if it happens)?				
	Insignificant (no injuries)	Minor (first aid treatment only; spillage contained at site)	Moderate (medical treatment; spillage contained but with outside help)	Major (extensive injuries; loss of production)	Catastrophic (death; toxic release of chemicals)
Almost certain – expected in most circumstances	3 H	3 H	4 A	4 A	4 A
Likely – will probably occur in most circumstances	2 M	3 H	3 H	4 A	4 A
Possible – might occur at some time	1 L	2 M	3 H	4 A	4 A
Unlikely – could occur at some time	1 L	1 L	2 M	3 H	4 A
Rare – may occur, only in exceptional circumstances	1 L	1 L	2 M	3 H	3 H

### Risk score and statement

Score and statement	Action
4 A: Acute	ACT NOW – Urgent – do something about the risks immediately. Requires immediate attention.
3 H: High	Highest management decision is required urgently.
2 M: Moderate	Follow management instructions.
1 L: Low	OK for now. Record and review if any equipment/ people/ materials/ work processes or procedures change.