

Potential Risks to children:

Lost or unsupervised

At risk of criminal or sexual predators

Accidental harm

Exposure to dangerous or inappropriate behaviour (eg strong or offensive language, violence, substance misuse)

Children purchasing or consuming alcohol

Children exposed to unsuitable entertainment (eg adult material – comedians; entertainers using strong or offensive language; sexualised entertainment or references; material containing violent/aggressive images or sounds)

Risk Management:

Controlled access to events, admission charges, no unaccompanied children or young persons (under 18)

Accompanying adult to be parent or guardian.

Restrict or prohibit access to children for any event deemed inappropriate.

Wristband Scheme (Over 18, Under 18 & Accompanying adult)

All staff to complete Safeguarding of Children course.

Bar Staff trained about the laws regarding children and alcohol and instructed to operate Challenge 25 proof of age scheme, and to only accept legitimate proof of age (eg Passport, Photo Driving Licence or ID bearing PASS hologram). Refusals log maintained.

Additional security/stewards monitoring all areas of the venue.

Full CCTV coverage of venue.

Bag searches/ pat downs before entry.

Signage reserving the right to refuse entry & undertake searches

Regular toilet checks

Signage reminding adults of their responsibilities.

Signage, cordons and barriers to identify and demark areas where children's access is restricted or prohibited

Staffed lost children point & First aid point with correctly trained staff.

All staff to be briefed before each event of potential risks, and correct procedure should a safeguarding risk arise.

All event staff in uniform

Count of under 18's to be kept.

Upon clearing the performance venue after each event, all under 18's to be escorted from venue with their accompanying adult.