

**Table A.1 Risk matrix**

Likelihood	Severity				
	1	2	3	4	5
	1 LOW	2 LOW	3 LOW	4 LOW	5 LOW
	2 LOW	4 LOW	6 LOW	8 MEDIUM	10 MEDIUM
	3 LOW	6 LOW	9 MEDIUM	12 MEDIUM	15 HIGH
	4 LOW	8 MEDIUM	12 MEDIUM	16 HIGH	20 HIGH
	5 LOW	10 MEDIUM	15 HIGH	20 HIGH	25 HIGH

**Key**

**Likelihood**

- 1 Highly unlikely to occur
- 2 Possibility remote but has occurred
- 3 Very infrequently
- 4 Occasionally
- 5 Frequently and regularly

**Severity**

- 1 Minor injury, no time off work
- 2 Injury resulting in up to three days off work
- 3 Injury resulting in more than three days off work
- 4 Major disabling injury (e.g. loss of a limb or an eye)
- 5 Fatality

**Table A.2 — Example of recommendations for action following results in Table A.1**

Risk value result in Table A.1	Recommended action
<b>Low (1 to 6)</b>	May be acceptable; however, review the task to see if the risk can be reduced further.
<b>Medium (8 to 12)</b>	Where possible, the task should be redefined to take account of the hazards involved or the risk should be reduced further, prior to task commencement. Appropriate management authorization after consultation with specialist personnel and an assessment team may be required.
<b>High (15 to 25)</b>	Unacceptable. The task should be redefined or further control measures put in place to reduce the risk. The controls should be re-assessed for adequacy, prior to task commencement.