

## BOUNCY CASTLES AND INFLATABLES POLICY

Our Terms and Conditions state:

**The Hirer acknowledges that the use of the Village Hall, grounds, garden and all equipment shall be entirely at the Hirer's risk, and that the Committee will not accept liability for injury to the Hirer, persons attending the Hirer's events or any third party, nor any loss or damage to the property, clothing or vehicles of such persons.**

**If you intend to use Inflatables or a Bouncy Castle, it is important to read our specific Risk Assessment for their safe use.**

Please note that Hadstock Village Hall does not allow the use of Bouncy Castles within its garden or surrounding areas.

We may allow the use of Bouncy Castles, inside the hall, subject to the following conditions:

1. When booking, the **hirer** must declare that they intend to have a bouncy castle. This declaration will imply a commitment to make sure that the following conditions are understood:
2. THE MAXIMUM SIZE OF Bouncy Castle allowed in our Hall is:  
Height 2.7m, width 3m, length 3m. {Height 9 feet, width 10 feet, length 10 feet.
3. The Committee will not accept liability for injury to the Hirer or persons attending the event.
4. The Hall reserves the right to prohibit the use of the castle or inflatable .

### INSURANCE:

- The Hall insurance **does not** cover the use of bouncy castles. The **hall** is only responsible for **advising hirers** that they must put appropriate arrangements in place.
- Any supplier of a bouncy castle must have insurance, but often their public insurance will **only apply if they are present to** supervise the use of the castle.
- If they are not present and their cover doesn't apply, then the hirer is responsible for providing personal liability insurance and for supervision of the castle by an adult over **18**.
- It is the **responsibility of the hirer** to investigate what cover is provided and decide if they wish to buy additional cover themselves.

### SUPERVISION AND SAFETY .

Hirers should be provided with a copy of our Template for bouncy Castle Risk Assessment for hirers. This document is based on advice supplied by the Village Hall insurance company. Hirers are advised follow these instructions.

1. the castle should be adequately secured.
2. Soft matting covering hard surfaces should be placed adjacent to the front or open sides.
3. There should be responsible adult supervision, paying close attention to the children at play at all times during its use.

4. The number of children using the bouncy castle should be limited to the number recommended in the Hire company's instructions. There should be no overcrowding,
5. A rota system for different age or size groups should be operated together with the observance of any age limit of users [it is suggested that children over 10 years of age should not use the equipment.
6. All children should be made to remove footwear, hard or sharp objects such as jewellery, buckles, pens and other similar pocket contents.
7. Eating while bouncing or performing acrobatics should not be allowed.

Additionally, the hirer should ensure that the Hire Company [the **supplier**]

1. Fully complies with the Health and Safety executive Guidance Note PM 76 – 'The Safe operation of inflatable Bouncing Devices' [this important guide deals with all aspects of safety];
2. Employs suitably experienced and trained adult personnel, where the company are responsible for setting up, operation and supervision of the bouncy castle;
3. Provide written evidence of a current Public Liability Insurance Policy with a limit of at least £5 million. This insurance is to cover the liability of the hire company. **Note that this is unlikely to extend to cover the hirer of the equipment.**
4. Provides written instructions about the safe setting up, operation and supervision of the equipment, and the name of the manufacturer or supplier is clearly marked upon it,

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