



Registered Charity No: 301914

INFLATABLES AND PLAY EQUIPMENT POLICY - FEBRUARY 2026

Summary

Pamber Heath War Memorial Hall (PHWMH) provides Hirer's Liability under our insurance policy which extends our public liability insurance to provide cover for users of PHWMH at a limit of £1,000,000. This cover does not apply to 'for profit' or commercial organisations. The policy should be read in conjunction with our 'Terms of Hire'. The use of inflatables or any playground equipment is absolutely prohibited unless authorisation is agreed with PHWMH in writing. Once the booking has been reviewed the Hall Committee (HC) will confirm the booking if deemed acceptable.

Unforeseen accidents

PHWMH is responsible for advising hirers that they may put their own appropriate arrangements in place to be satisfied they have adequate personal liability cover in the event of any accident. It may already be part of your home insurance policy, so you may check with your insurance broker or ask the supplier of the inflatable if public liability insurance can be purchased with your hire, if required.

Defective equipment accidents

Upon booking, where an inflatable or playground equipment is to be used, the Hirer will be required to read and sign the Inflatables and Play Equipment Terms of Hire Addendum and agrees to ensure the inflatable hire company has Public Liability insurance in place to cover defective equipment which may result in an accident. It is the Hirer's responsibility to ensure insurance is in place to mitigate any risk and to provide a copy upon booking.

Conditions

When booking, the Hirer must declare that they intend to have an inflatable or play equipment. This declaration will imply a commitment to make sure that:

1. Public/Personal liability insurance will be in place as required;
2. The inflatable or play equipment will be supervised at all times by an adult (over 18);
3. Supervision, safety and general instructions for use and Hirer's obligations as set out below are complied with;
4. If 'Didi Cars' or equipment/toys with wheels is used and damage occurs to the floor, the hirer understands that they must remove any marks as part of their

clean-up at the end of the hire, or some or all of their deposit may be taken to cover the additional cleaning costs incurred.

PHWMH reserves the right to request proof of insurance (a copy of the equipment supplier's Public Liability Insurance (£5,000,000 minimum indemnity) for the inflatable, bouncy castle, play or similar equipment to cover the installation and removal from the Premises) on booking. Not providing proof of insurance may prohibit the use of the inflatable/equipment, or even to cancel the booking if appropriate evidence is not provided on request.

Please understand that these arrangements are being introduced so that the HC and the Hirers can be sure that proper protection is in place.

Only approved inflatables, play or similar equipment is authorised to be used on the Premises. Failure to gain approval will result in a Hire Charge and your function may be cancelled or ended early.

Hirer Responsibility before you hire

The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) support two industry inspection schemes for inflatables run by PIPA and ADiPs. Most play inflatables will therefore display either a numbered PIPA tag or an ADiPs declaration of compliance (DoC) to show they comply with British Standard BS EN 14960.

You can use their websites to check safety tests have been carried out and to find out what to do if the equipment has no PIPA tag or ADiPs DoC (you may be risking people's safety if the inflatable doesn't have one of these).

The PIPA scheme specifically covers inflatables devices that fall within the scope of the BS EN 14960, and they have guidance on the equipment PIPA inspect.

The ADiPs scheme covers a wider range of inflatable play equipment as well as more traditional fairground rides.

As part of the Hire agreement, you will need to confirm you have performed the diligence recommended by the HSE.

Hirer Obligations - Supervision and Safety Instructions

Hirers are required to follow these instructions:

- The inflatable/equipment must be adequately secured but not secured to the Hall's fixtures, fittings, doors, windows;
- Soft matting covering hard surfaces must be placed adjacent to the front or open sides of inflatables/equipment;
- There should be responsible adult supervision, paying close attention to the users at play at all times during its use;
- The number of people using the inflatable/equipment must be limited to the number recommended in the Hire Company's safety instructions. There must be no overcrowding;
- A rota system for different age or size groups should be operated together with the observance of any age limit of users;

- All users must be made to remove footwear, hard or sharp objects such as jewellery, buckles, pens and other similar pocket contents if using the inflatable;
- Eating while using the equipment is prohibited.

Additionally, the hirer should ensure that the Hire Company (the supplier) of the inflatable/equipment:

- Fully complies with the Health and Safety Executive Guidance Note PM76 – “The Safe Operation of Inflatable Bouncing Devices” (this important guide deals with all aspects of safety);
- Employs suitably experienced and trained adult personnel, where the Company are responsible for setting up, operation and supervision of the inflatable;
- Provides written evidence of a current Public Liability Insurance Policy with a Limit of Indemnity 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.**
- Provides written instructions about the safe setting up, operation, and supervision of the equipment, and that the name and address of the manufacturer or supplier is clearly marked upon it.

Further information

- Amusement Device Inspections Procedures Scheme (ADIPS)
- PIPA Inflatable Play Inspection
- Hire Association Europe Bouncy Castle Safety Instructions
- Bouncy castles and other play inflatables: safety advice (hse.gov.uk)

Inflatables and Play Equipment Terms of Hire Addendum– February 2026

1. This Addendum does not take away or negate any terms and conditions governed by the Pamber Heath War Memorial Hall Terms of Hire and should be read in conjunction with the Terms of Hire.
2. PHWMH accepts no liability for any injury or loss, however caused, by any inflatable or play or similar equipment brought into the Premises without prior approval
3. The hirer must agree to abide by these ‘Terms and Conditions’ for the use of inflatables and play equipment before an inflatable or other equipment may be used at the Premises.
 - 3.1 The hirer is responsible for checking the dimensions of the inflatable to ensure that it may be safely used on the Premises, and that its use will not block any Fire Exits.
 - 3.2 The Hirer confirms they have read the Inflatables and Play Equipment Policy and have performed the diligence checks required and agrees to adhere to the Policy.
 - 3.3 The Hirer, by signing this Terms of Hire Addendum expressly accepts all obligations and responsibilities under this Policy, in parallel to the obligations under the Terms of Hire and accepts the creation of a second legally binding agreement under this Addendum.
 - 3.4 If ‘Didi Cars’ or equipment/toys with wheels is used and damage occurs to the floor, the hirer understands that they must remove any marks as part of their clean-up at the end of the hire, or some or all of their deposit may be taken to cover the additional cleaning costs incurred.
4. This Addendum has been made available to the Hirer at the time of their booking. By proceeding with the booking, the hirer is deemed to have accepted these terms and conditions.

Signed.....

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Dated.....

Event Date.....

Inflatable Supplier