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| hselogojpg | **Health and Safety Checklist** |
| **Ref: CF:011:01** | **RE: Interview Room Checklist**  |
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| **No.**  | **Question**  | **Yes**  | **No**  | **Not applicable**  | **Remedial Measures**  |
|  | **Fixtures and Fittings** |
| 1 | Is the room located no less than 15 meters from a staff base? |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | Are light fittings/smoke detectors out of reach even when standing on furniture? |  |  |  |  |
| 3 | Are light fittings/smoke detectors fixed in a way that cannot be vandalized or used as potential weapons?  |  |  |  |  |
| 4 | Do washbasins have concealed traps and pipe work with no overflow or plugs?  |  |  |  |  |
| 5 | Is there a second exit door from the room? |  |  |  |  |
| 6 | Do doors open in both directions (in and out)? |  |  |  |  |
| 7 | Can the door be opened from the inside without the need for a key? |  |  |  |  |
| 8 | Do doors have a viewing panel? |  |  |  |  |
| 9 | Are viewing panels made from shatter proof glazing?  |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | Do viewing panels have a metal surround that is securely fixed into the opening?  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | Are windows glazed with shatter proof safety glazing? |  |  |  |  |
| 12 | Are exits from the room completely clear of all obstructions?  |  |  |  |  |
| 13 | Is art work or pictures mechanically fixed to the wall? |  |  |  |  |
| 14 | Is art work or pictures glazed with shatter proof glazing (polycarbonate type)? |  |  |  |  |
| 15 | Is there any free standing furniture in the room |  |  |  |  |
|  | ( Please note - Furniture should be built in or securely fixed)  |
|  | **Room Layout**  |
| 16 | Is the furniture arranged so that the exit is nearest the interviewer?  |  |  |  |  |
| 17 | Are there more than three chairs in the room? |  |  |  |  |
| 18 | Are client chairs of solid construction making them difficult to lift?  |  |  |  |  |
| 19 | Are desks free of office stationary that could potentially be used as a weapon? |  |  |  |  |
|  | **Personal/Static Safety Devices** |
| 20 | Is there a fixed working telephone in the room? |  |  |  |  |
| 21 | Is the room fitted with a fixed alarm button?  |  |  |  |  |
| 22 | Are portable alarms available? |  |  |  |  |
|  | (Please note – it is not necessary to have both types of alarm in each interview room)  |
| 23 | Is there a documented schedule of testing of alarms?  |  |  |  |  |
| 24 | Is there a documented response protocol to alarm activation? |  |  |  |  |
| 25 | Has the alarm protocol been tested? |  |  |  |  |
|  | **Suitable Work Attire** |
| 26 | Are staff aware of the need to be suitably attired when carrying out interviews: * Minimal Jewellary
* No dangling chains/bracelets
* No neckties
* Non provocative clothing
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| **Summary of Corrective Action**  |
| No  | Action  | Time scale  | Responsible Person  | Date Completed  |
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