



# WINCANTON YOUTH THEATRE

## **Health & Safety at Wincanton Youth Theatre**

The following is the Policy Statement concerning Health and Safety during Wincanton Youth Theatre (WYT) activities.

1. WYT sets great importance on the Health and Safety of all involved with its activities, considering this to be an Organising Team responsibility ranking with such matters as quality and cost of projects. This does not, however, remove individual responsibility from all involved with projects to conduct themselves in a safe manner, with due regard for others who may be affected by their actions.
2. The operations of WYT shall be carried out in accordance with applicable Health and Safety rules and regulations, together with any supporting Codes of Good Practice and every reasonable effort shall be made to keep WYT informed of changes to rules and regulations and guidance. This includes the provision of safe equipment and machinery as may from time to time be used.
3. Adequate arrangements for dealing with emergencies shall be maintained, but the avoidance of such incidents is a prime consideration. It is the responsibility of Heads of Departments to take all reasonable steps to provide and maintain a safe and healthy place of activity for all, wherever activities are taking place and to safeguard the health and safety of other persons to who may be affected by WYT's activities.
4. WYT regards the involvement of Casts and Support Teams as being an integral part of the process of fostering "safety awareness" and will be encouraged to discuss issues concerning their health and safety during activities with those in charge or members of the Organising Team
5. Health and safety issues will be a regular agenda item at Organising Team Meetings

(This Policy was agreed at an Organising Team meeting in February 2017 and will be reviewed annually).