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027. Bungee Jumping

In recent weeks there have been a number of enquiries regarding the operation of bungee jumping in the UK and the matter was the subject of discussion at the meeting of the JAC (Joint Advisory Committee for Health & Safety in the Fairground Industry) held at Preston on 13 August 1992.

The HSE consider that bungee jumping could entail risks which are somewhat greater than traditional amusement rides and must therefore be regarded as a sport rather than fairground equipment. At the present time, although this is currently under review at a high level within HSE, public participation in bungee jumping will not be permitted at either fun fairs or theme parks. Demonstrations of bungee jumping by approved operators may be allowed provided that this does not involve members of the public.

Stringent conditions must be met by operators in order to receive approval and special care is required in preparation of any report on the safety of a proposed bungee club. The Secretary may be able to advise members who are approached about carrying out such work but this will also need to be discussed with HSE at Preston.