**Use of Batik Wax Pot - risk assessment**

# HIAS MOODLE OPEN RESOURCE

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**Overview**

**This document contains…**

You will find guidance on using a Batik Wax Pot in Primary schools.

**Points to consider when using this resource**

This is guidance only, please adapt and amend to suit the needs of your students.

**Use of Batik Wax Pot - risk assessment**

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| **A close-up of a device  Description automatically generatedBatik Wax Pot** |
| Please sign in the appropriate space to confirm your knowledge and understanding of the hazards and the risk control measures that should be applied when using Batik Wax Pot. |
| **Activity** |
| USE OF THE BATIK WAX POT  NB: ONLY RESPONSIBLE KEY STAGE 2 PUPILS SHOULD USE BATIK WAX POTS UNDER DIRECT ADULT SUPERVISION. |
| **Hazards** |
| • Electric shock.  • Leads, which could be tripped over.  • Hot liquids and surfaces, which can cause scalding or burns.  • Overheating of the wax pot, which can be caused by incorrect use.  • Fumes from wax pots. |
| **Additional Hazards Identified** |
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| **Risk Control Measures** |
| • Instruction should be given on the correct use of batik wax pots.  • Supply leads for wax pots should be heat resisting.  • Care should be taken that trailing leads do not become entangled with the user or others in the vicinity.  • Batik work should be carried out where distractions to the user can be minimised. Siting of the wax pot on a table adjacent to wall and electrical socket should help prevent accidental splashing on to others and tripping over the power lead.  • Appropriate personal protection should be worn, i.e. small cotton gloves, apron, and eye protection. Check Local Authority/Employer guidelines on PPE required.  • Correct use of wooden handled wax reservoirs should minimize the risk of burns when putting wax onto fabric.  • Check that the materials being used are suitable for heating in the type of heater used.  • Do not allow water to get into the hot wax.  • Ensure that adequate ventilation is available in the area.  • Batik wax pots must be tested in accordance with the establishments’ policy on Portable Appliance Testing (PAT). |
| **Additional Control Measures Identified** |
| **(If you have identified additional hazards you must describe what additional control measures need to be put in place)** |
| **All relevant staff have been made fully aware of the contents of this risk assessment** |
| Date of Risk Assessment:  Date of Review:  Name(s) of Assessor(s):    Signature of Subject Leader/Coordinator:  Signature of Headteacher: |

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