

# NAFLIC

*National Association For Leisure Industry Certification*

## Standards & Related Documents Sub-Committee

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#### **061. Bungee Jumping**

We last wrote about Bungee Jumping in August 1992 but, as a result of a spate of enquiries at the NAFLIC office, we have decided to issue a reminder of the position with respect to this activity.

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.

Operators of bungee jumping, unless they are members of and audited by an approved Association, must be reviewed by an independent consultant acceptable to HSE. 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.

We point out that there is a specific requirement in correspondence with HSE for consultants' full reports to be sent to HSE at Preston who will then consider whether all safety issues have been satisfactorily addressed. The HSE lists 15 points which should be reviewed and implies that there are others which should be added to the list. We therefore advise any NAFLIC member who is approached about this work to speak to Preston before getting deeply involved.