**Health**

* Look after yourself and the others around you.
* Think about weather conditions on the day. Dress appropriately.
* Remember there is not bad weather only poor choice of clothing!
* Think carefully about how long you may be waiting, it could be cold, wet & windy.
* Make sure you are fed and hydrated before setting off.
* If it rains we will provide clear ponchos for you to wear.

**Safety**

* We’re here to help the parade go ahead safely – not to hinder
* In addition to your Tour Assistant, there are assigned a large team of experienced parade makers, stewards and security personnel, who are there to assist with the smooth running of the parade.
* Any information concerning issues with; speed of movement, stoppages, crowd issues or other issues that might arise during the parade, will be relayed to the stewards and security personnel.
* For everybody’s safety and smooth delivery of the procession, we ask you to listen to and respond to any instructions from them.
* As well your expertise in marching in parades, we also have an experienced production team to help and support you therefore please don’t be shy about asking questions or asking for help!
* Our parade partners including the London Metropolitan Police, London Fire Brigade and Ambulance Services and the Councils’ Event Department are all engaged in the event and happy to help.

**Hazards & Assessing Risk**

Hazard is something with the potential to cause harm.

Risk is the likelihood of that harm happening and how severe.

* During the procession, the main hazards are going to be the following:
* Pedestrian/performer conflict with vehicles.
* Audience obstruction, members of the public getting in the way of the parade.
* Adverse weather conditions, wet, cold which could lead to hypothermia.
* Adverse weather conditions which could lead to slippery conditions.
* Wind blowing things off vehicles or blowing things over.
* Fire.
* Excessive noise.
* Lost child or participant on parade route, or late arrival of participant.
* Illness or accident of group participant during the parade.

This list is not exhaustive and to help you think about hazards which your group’s performance may involve we ask you to write a risk assessment and method statement for your group. We have included templates of these forms to assist you. Once completed please return to Brian Cleary, our Health and Safety Consultant, at brian.cleary@sygmasafety.co.uk .

**Contact**

If you have any concerns or questions, then please contact either Brian Cleary, the Health & Safety Consultant (brian.cleary@sygmasafety.co.uk) or Garin Wilby, the Production Director (info@destinationevents.com)