

Curtain Shop Risk Assessment Checklist

- Ensure all fabrics are free from harmful chemicals.
- Ensure display stands are stable and not a topple risk.
- Check curtains for fire-resistance, especially near lights.
- Secure curtain pull cords and chains out of children's reach.
- Ensure fabric rolls are securely stored and cannot fall.
- Store sharp tools like scissors securely.
- Train staff in customer safety, especially when showing fabric samples.
- Ensure ladders used for reaching high displays are safe and regularly inspected.
- Clearly mark and maintain accessible emergency exits.
- Keep a well-stocked first aid kit and trained personnel on-site.
- Ensure secure payment methods for customers.
- Install CCTV cameras for security and safety monitoring.
- Maintain cleanliness to prevent slip hazards, especially on fabric offcuts.
- Ensure all curtain labels accurately detail material and washing instructions.
- Protect customer data and transactions, especially online.
- Ensure shop is accessible for disabled customers.
- Regularly check the quality and condition of curtains on display.
- Provide regular staff training on safety and customer service.
- Have a clear returns policy to ensure customer satisfaction.
- Ensure floors are even and free from tripping hazards.
- Maintain good lighting, ensuring no areas are dim or pose a risk.
- Implement pest control measures to protect fabrics.
- Ensure safe loading and unloading areas for fabric deliveries.
- Regularly test fire alarms and smoke detectors.
- Ensure good ventilation, especially in storage areas.
- Arrange products to allow for easy customer movement without obstruction.
- Install security measures like alarms and secure locks.

Please remember: these are minimum precautions only and you should check with local regulations; and possibly industry experts; to ensure that you keep safe and stay within the law.