

# Steam Cleaning

- Steam cleaning and jet washing is a task which many of us do not perceive as hazardous however there are certain things which we should take into consideration.
- Housekeeping is very important around the area where cleaning or jet washing is to take place, the area may become wet and slippery underfoot so it will be even more likely that people will fall over things left in the way.
- The jet wash/ steam cleaner should be visually checked prior to each use, any damaged hoses should be reported and repaired before the machine is used.
- The jet wash/ steam cleaner should be serviced in line with the manufacturer's recommendations and a weekly maintenance sheet should be completed weekly.
- PPE must be worn when using the jet wash/ steam cleaner. This should include waterproof clothing and waterproof footwear with good grips on the soles.
- A full face visor should also be worn when using the jet wash/ steam cleaner.
- Remember to visually check any electric cables in the vicinity before commencing work, water combined with electricity can kill. This includes the machine being cleaned, make sure it is switched off before you clean it.



**Q. Why is housekeeping so important?**

**Q. What PPE should be worn?**

**Q. Which electrical cables should you check before starting work?**