

10 point checklist to help decide if a child needs a manual handling plan

		Yes	No	Comments
1.	Is the child independently mobile?			
2.	Does the child's movement require any physical assistance?			
3.	Does the child have a diagnosed condition?			
4.	Does the child use a wheelchair / specialist buggy?			
5.	Does the child need equipment to aid their mobility?			
6.	Does the child require regular assistance with toileting?			
7.	Are steps / stairs challenging for the child?			
8.	Does the child have a physical need which means they would need assistance to leave the building in an emergency evacuation?			
9.	Does the child need more physical assistance than their peers with certain activities?			
10.	Does the child have a physical need which means they will require additional support for an off-site visit?			

If the answer to any of the above questions is yes, a Manual Handling Plan must be considered. For this to be written you will have to liaise with a qualified Manual Handling Assessor.