

## Streptococcus Suis Infection Prevention

Streptococcus suis infection is a notifiable occupational disease under the Occupational Safety and Health Ordinance in Hong Kong. Human infection by Streptococcus suis is often related to occupational exposure through the skin in cuts or abrasions while handling infected pig carcasses. Common occupations at risk include pig breeders, abattoir workers, meat processing and transport workers, butchers and cooks. To prevent streptococcus suis infection, employees should wear protective gloves when handling raw pork. The Council has launched the “[Cut Resistant Gloves and Slip Resistant Shoes Sponsorship Scheme for Catering SMEs](#)” (Chinese version only). The scheme assists the employers of small and medium enterprises to promote safety and health.



The following is a list of relevant legal requirements and resources offered by the Council in promoting safety for reference:

### Legislation

- [Occupational Safety and Health Ordinance \(Chapter 509\) - Section 15](#)
- [Occupational Safety and Health Ordinance \(Chapter 509\) – Schedule 2](#)
- [Employees Compensation Ordinance \(Chapter 282\)](#)

### Publications

Book :

- [Occupational Health for Good Business](#) (Published by OSHC)
- [Guide to Occupational Diseases Prescribed for Compensation Purposes](#) (Published by Labour Department)
- [Occupational Disease Casebook-Occupational Infection](#) (Published by Labour Department)

Leaflet :

- [Prevention of Occupational Diseases](#) (Published by OSHC, Chinese version only)
- [Occupational Health](#) (Published by OSHC, Chinese version only)
- [Specifications and Common Materials of Cut-resistant Gloves](#) (Published by OSHC, Chinese version only)
- [Skin Injury at Work](#) (Published by Labour Department)
- [Occupational Safety and Health Centre & Occupational Health Clinic](#) (Published by Labour Department)
- [Prevention of Foodborne Illness in the High Risk Groups](#) (Published by Centre for Health Promotion)
- [Prevention of Streptococcus suis infection](#) (Published by Centre for Health Promotion)

Poster :

- [Prevention of Streptococcus suis infection](#) (Published by Centre for Health Promotion)
- [Join Hands to Prevent Communicable Diseases](#) (Published by Centre for Health Promotion)

Video :

- [Miss Mo's Diary - Occupational Health](#) (Published by OSHC, Chinese version only)

### Personal Protective Equipment

- [OSH Products & Services Suppliers Directory](#) (Published by OSHC)