Occupiers Liability:

Concerned with - **State of the premises** – not activities on it. *eg. is there a loose floorboard.*

Where a person enters land of the occupier - gets injured.

Do they have permission to be on the land?

No = Trespass OLA 1984

Yes = Visitor = Implied or Express?

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Visitor with Permission.

What constitutes a...

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Duty?	Occupier?	Premises?	<u>Visitor?</u>
s.2(1): 'An occupier owes the same duty,	Look at the common law.		<u>Implied</u> Harvey v Plymouth
"the common duty of care", to all	<u>Control:</u>	<u>s.1(3)(a)</u>	Implied perm Through
his visitors'	who has control of the property?	'any fixed or moveable structure,	Doctrine of Allurement.
	Does not have to be the owner.	including any vessel, vehicle, or	<u>Glasgow corp v Taylor</u>
this applies to personal &	Can be more than 1 occupier.	aircraft	<u>Jolley v Sutton</u>
property damage.	Wheat v Lacon		·
			<u>Express</u>

Establishing a Duty of Care:

In general - Same as ordinary negligence.

s.2(2) - 'visitor must be reasonably safe in using the premises for the purpose for which he is invited'

Must be a Reasonable System of Safety in Place.

If so – occupier might not be liable.

<u>Tedstone v Bourne Leisure Ltd</u>

where the risk is inherently obvious – <u>Poppleton</u>

<u>Problem Areas – Exceptions:</u>

Children

s.2(3)(a)

impossible to make premises 100% safe for kids – but must be reasonably safe.

Glasgow Corp v Taylor Jolley v Sutton

parents cannot shift their burden of responsibility onto occupiers:

Phipps v Rochester Corp.

Up to Parents to accompany their kids: not occupier.

<u>Bourne Leisure v Marsden</u>

How old is a child no longer a child: <u>Hufton v Somerset CC</u>

Special Expertise.

s.(3)(b)

Occupier will not be liable if the danger/risk should have been obvious to someone in that calling.

<u>Roles v Nathan</u>

Independent Contractors

s.2(4)(b)

3 parts:

(1) did the occupier entrust the work to ind. Cont?

(2) did occ. take reasonable steps to see cont. was competent?

Don't need to see the insurance doc – just ask if they have it.

<u>Haseldine v Daw</u>

(3) Did the occupier supervise the work?

Where the work of the contractor is too complex – occupier doesn't need to check.(Gwilliam, Maguire)

Warnings