



We hope this issue finds you safe and well.

Welcome to the HSfB fortnightly newsletter. On this day people across the nation pause to reflect on the sacrifices made by our brave Service men and women.

A request for volunteers - Since HSfB started, there have been lots of changes to legislation. This means that some of the materials on the site have become a little out-dated and need tweaked to bring them back into line with the changes. Would you like to help audit the entire collection of downloads available from HSfB?

Further information on how you can help is available from our Discussion Forums here:
<http://www.healthandsafetytips.co.uk/forums/viewtopic.php?t=4823>

We hope you enjoy this issue and please feel free to pass it on!

Safety Passport Schemes – By Frank Cooper MIOSH RSP

Safety Passport schemes under various guises have been around since the mid-80's. Some have been successful and still exist whilst others have long since disappeared.

Most of these passports were aimed at contractors and were designed to demonstrate an acceptable level of health and safety knowledge associated with the workforce. Many companies have insisted that for contractor works all contractors' employees on their sites must hold a relevant safety passport.

But what kind of passport? Issued by whom? Exactly how many different kinds are there and what is their status?

A good starting point is the review that the HSE undertook in 2003 and which can be viewed at:
http://www.hse.gov.uk/research/hsl_pdf/2003/hsl03-10.pdf

You can read this article in full by clicking the following link: [Your Articles](#)

Site News Including New Downloads

Various new links have been added to the **Useful Links** pages.

Site search tool added to a variety of pages with more pages being updated soon.

Coming soon – Safe ladder use and safe stepladder use safe system of work documents

Site News

Regulation and Consultation Updates

- **Disability Discrimination (Public Authorities) (Statutory Duties) Regulations 2005**
- **Consultation on proposals to implement, by means of Merchant Shipping Regulations:- noise and vibration**

Legislation News

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ASATS Making sense of safety - having fun whilst we're doing it.

CIEH Say Fall in Inspectors Threatens Public Health

The Chartered Institute of Environmental Health (CIEH) have issued a warning that the shortage of Environmental Health Officers (EHO's) threatens the health of the public, following a recent survey by the BBC with the co-operation of the CIEH.

HSE Call for SME's Help in Pilot OHMM

The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) is calling upon small and medium sized enterprises (SME's) in the construction industry to assist in their recently piloted Occupational Health Management Model (OHMM).

HSE Warning on Handling and Storage of Petrol

The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) and Sussex Police issued a warning to motor vehicle repair garages as to the handling and storing of petrol safely within their premises, following the prosecution of Howard Hawkins, owner of Anchor Garage, Peacehaven, Sussex, at Lewes Crown Court on Tuesday 8 November 2005.

New Research Reports within HSE Website

Two new research reports are now available from the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) website. The first report, funded by the HSE, was prepared by the Department of Experimental Psychology the University of Oxford. The second report, also funded by the HSE, was prepared by the University of Liverpool and University of Manchester. The reports can be accessed within this news article.

HSC - HSE Health and Safety Statistics for 2004-05

The Health and Safety Commission have today published their latest statistics, which includes progress reports on the targets set in the "Revitalising Health and Safety" strategy.

Research Exposes Real Reason for Mental Health Absenteeism

The ongoing "See Me" campaign, launched in Scotland in October 2002 and run by an alliance of 5 Scottish mental health organisations, have released their research results exposing the "real" reasons why employees who suffer mental health illnesses take time off work.

New HSE Webpage for Printing Industry

The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) have provided a webpage specifically for the printing industry, in a bid to advise and assist with the good practice of controlling exposure to chemicals within the industry.

ACAS Launches Bullying Prevention Package

ACAS have launched a seventh on-line learning package for employers, to assist them in understanding and preventing the stress and anxiety caused by bullying in the workplace.

HSE Research Report into Workplace Transport Accidents

The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) have funded a research report to review the second largest cause of workplace accidents, namely workplace transport accidents.

HSC Consultation on Amendment of Asbestos Regulations

The Health and Safety Commission (HSC) are seeking comments on their proposed amendments to asbestos regulations and Approved Code of Practice, by means of their consultation document.

Top 10 Downloads

1. Mock Practical Observation Sheets
2. Mock Practical Report
3. NEBOSH Exam Hints and Tips by Jane Riley
4. Working at Height by Mark Sutton
5. Coldrop's Example Practical Exam – Inspection Report
6. Management Style Paper 1 Questions by HSfB
7. Lifting and Handling Techniques
8. The Jane Riley Revision Pack
9. OSHAS 18001 Slideshow by Craig Lydiate
10. Management Style Paper 1 Answers by HSfB

Stats November – so far

Av'g Daily Visits - 674

Max Daily Visits - 837

Visits – 8,092

Bandwidth – 6,899 MB

Total Visits – 255,087

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Other articles in our news pages since last issue

- [SPADs Report for September 2005](#)
- [Hospital to be Prosecuted for Breach of HSWA](#)
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Photo of the Week & Joke of the Week from Safetyphoto.co.uk

With thanks to Stoker at [Safetyphoto](#) for bringing us safety photos, environmental photos, safety case law, books and jokes. Our new regular feature of photo and joke of the week starts here.

A Festive Message for Health and Safety Men Everywhere

Take off your HS anoraks,
And be a little silly,
Sing Jingle Bells - visit wishing wells,
Buy a diamond for your girlie.

Savour all the festive cheer,
Ignore the hazard sights,
Don't worry about poor Santa,
As he climbs the danger heights.

His PPE is one of hope,
His HSWA's null and void,
He doesn't need a DSE,
As long as we enjoyed.

His gifts left at the fireside,
With the hazard sign to warn,
What lurks inside the shiny box,
Be it a plaster for your corn.

It is the thought that matters,
So let's toast a safer year,
Where every workplace in the land,
Will listen and adhere.

Alexandra Johnston



Transport safety - Incorrect use of step ladder.

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Notice Board and Featured Web Sites

Within each issue of the HSfB newsletter, we will be featuring web sites that may be of interest to you.

If you want to use this free Notice Board and Featured Site area, please send an email with a request and you will be placed in the queue for a free advertising spot.

[Nott-Us Wood Turning - www.nott-us.co.uk](http://www.nott-us.co.uk)

Wood turner and engraver. Wood is a wonderful tactile material. Always full of surprises for the Wood Turner, grain, aroma, character and age of the wood. These surprises are not always evident and only reveal themselves once turning has started. I turn a wide range of wood ware, Pens, Boxes, Bowls up to 30" in diameter. Personalised to suit your needs.

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web-safety.com draws on the national and international experience of the principals and associates. That experience includes safety training, consultancy and advice across a wide range of industries, government, private and voluntary sector organisations in Ireland, North and South America, Australia, Malaysia and the Middle East.

HSfB:

"There is no such thing as a "stupid" or "daft" health and safety question!"

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Our principal functions and activities are to provide continuing advice to beginners in the health and safety field, links to various employment agencies which highlight health and safety careers, links to various training companies for health and safety and also to update professionals on current health and safety news/events.

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