

## We hope this issue finds you safe and well

### The results are in!

This time of year brings many of you results from the NEBOSH General Certificate, some good some bad, some disappointing and some surprising. Whatever your results are, we would hope that you have found HSfB useful in your studies. You can view some of the results via our **Discussion Forums**, and why not have a look at our **Feedback** pages where you may even see your own comments. Good luck to you if you are still waiting; we all have our fingers crossed for you!

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

### Your Articles

Have you created any articles relating to health and safety at work? Would you like to publish them on HSfB in the hope that they may help somebody in the future? If so, let us know and your article will be published in **Your Articles** pages. We will publish your articles, long or short, as long as they relate to health and safety at work in some way or another. You may be a specialist in a particular subject, or you simply want to take an interest in something, research it and write about it.

Send you articles to: [hsfb@healthandsafetytips.co.uk](mailto:hsfb@healthandsafetytips.co.uk)

### Your Articles

#### Site News Including New Downloads

- A new download has been added to the downloads page: **Health and Safety Policy** by HSfB (PowerPoint) 127KB
- If you have any further comments on how to improve any pages on the site, you can use our feedback form - **Feedback** or any other means available on this site - **Contact Us**

### Site News

#### Regulation and Consultation Updates

- No legislation updates this issue.

### Legislation News

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### 17 February 2006 - [Prosecution Imminent for ICL Plastics and ICL Tech](#)

Scotland's Crown Court Office have today confirmed that ICL Plastics and ICL Tech will face prosecution under the Health and Safety at Work Act (HSWA), following an explosion with subsequent deaths of 9 workers plus 40 injuries at their Glasgow plastics factory in May 2004.

### 16 February 2006 - [Latest HSE Guidance and Research Reports](#)

The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) have provided new Guidance and Research in pdf format within their Webpages. [Click the link above to view the documents.](#)

### 15 February 2006 - [Memorial Directive Causing Added Grief](#)

A Health and Safety Executive (HSE) Directive calling for councils to inspect memorials at least once every five years, has caused many councils throughout the UK to come under fire from relatives who tend memorials as to the methods of inspection used during the assessments.

The method used to determine whether gravestones, more than 30 months old, are safe or not is one of shaking the stone to test stability prior to using the "topple tester" device and laying down of the headstone.

### 14 February 2006 - [Heritage Railways Steamed up Over New Safety Requirements](#)

Heritage Railway enthusiasts are feeling the heat over Health and Safety Regulations, which leaves enthusiasts having to pay thousands of pounds in order to keep the railway heritage alive. Up until recently, the Railway Inspectorate provided the necessary safety checks required by Legislation for the Heritage Railway. However, EU Directive requirement means that Heritage Railway Societies throughout the U.K. will now have to take on the cost of providing such inspections.

### 14 February 2006 - [Launch of New Pesticide Code of Practice](#)

A new Statutory Code of Practice for users of pesticides has been introduced in England and Wales, replacing the three earlier codes as follows:

- Code of Practice for the Safe Use of Pesticides on Farms and Small Holdings ("the Green Code").
- Code of Practice for the use of Approved pesticides in Amenity Areas and Industrial Areas ("the Orange Code") a voluntary code produced by the National Association of Agricultural Contractors and the British Agrochemical Association.
- Those parts of the Code of Practice for the safe use of Pesticides for Non-Agricultural Purposes - The Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 1999 ("the Blue Code") which deal with forestry.

### 8 February 2006 - [BBC Documentary to Highlight Violence at Work](#)

A BBC One Frontline Scotland documentary, due to be screened tonight, Wednesday 8 February 2006, at 7.00pm, will highlight the Violence at Work research conducted for the Scottish Executive.

### 8 February 2006 - [HSE Research Reports Guidance and Information](#)

The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) have produced further research reports, guidance and information within their webpages

### [Top 10 Downloads](#)

1. NEBOSH Certificate Fire Safety by Terry Robson
2. Health and Safety Policy by HSfB
3. Lifting and Handling Techniques
4. Safety Induction by Malcolm Strong
5. Mock Practical Observation Sheets
6. Health and Safety - Display Screen Equipment by Adams Burt (H&S) Ltd
7. Basic Principles of Electrical Safety
8. Mnemonics for NEBOSH by Mike Riley (PowerPoint)
9. Acts and Regulations to Remember for NEBOSH Certificate
10. Risk Assessment by Nick Higginson

### [Stats Feb – so far](#)

[Av'g Daily Visits – 748](#)  
[Max Daily Visits – 1,109](#)  
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[Bandwidth – 14,449MB](#)  
[Total Visits – 316,280](#)  
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## More News

### 7 February 2006 - Unions Fear Safety Implications of EU Draft Directive

UK Unions are concerned over the draft EC Services Directive, which proposes that providers be subject to the laws and conditions within their own country, rather than the country where they are based, thus giving rise to safety issues and employment rights of workers.

### 6 February 2006 - Latest HSE Research Reports

## Photo of the Week & Joke of the Week from [Safetyphoto.co.uk](http://Safetyphoto.co.uk) and our Forums

With thanks to Stoker at [Safetyphoto](http://Safetyphoto) for bringing us safety photos, environmental photos, safety case law, books and jokes.

### Lost on an island

A Safety Officer took a cruise to the Caribbean. It was wonderful; the experience of his life. But, alas, a hurricane came up unexpectedly and the ship went down. He was swept onto the shore of an island. No people, no supplies, nothing.

He explored but found nothing other than some bananas and coconuts. He was desperate and forlorn, but what could he do? For the next four months ate bananas, drank coconut juice and looked for a ship to come to his rescue.

One day, he spotted a rowboat coming from what looked like the other side of the island. In it was a gorgeous woman: She was tawny and tanned, and her hair flowing in the breeze gave her an ethereal quality. When she reached him, he asked excitedly, "where did you come from? How did you get here?" "She said, "I rowed from the other side of the island. My cruise ship sank four months ago." "Amazing," he said, "I didn't know anyone else had survived. How many of you are there? You are really lucky that a rowboat washed up with you."

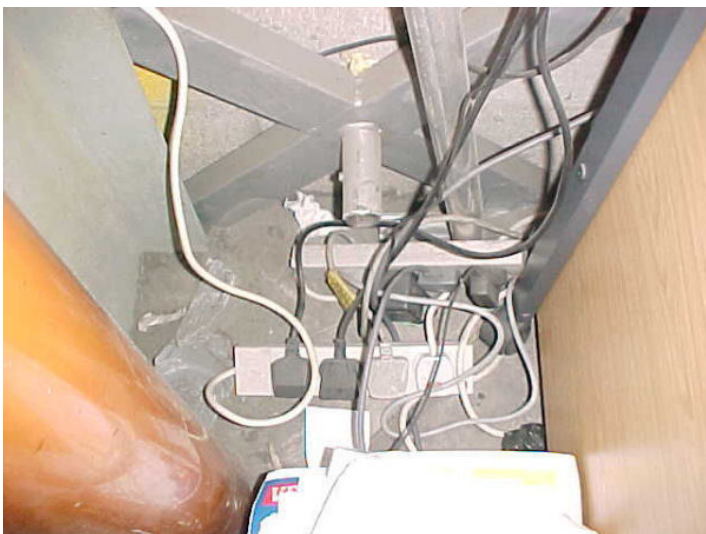
"There is no one else--only me," she said, "and the rowboat didn't wash up. I built it out of raw material I found on the island. The oars I whittled from gum tree branches, I wove the bottom from palm branches, and the sides and stern came from an eucalyptus."

"But-but," asked the man, "What did you use for tools?" "Oh, no problem," replied the woman, "On the south side of the island there is a very unusual stratum of alluvial rock. I found that if I fired it to a certain temperature in my kiln, it melted into forgeable iron."

But enough of that," she said. Where do you live?" The man confessed he had been sleeping on the beach.

"Let's row over to my place," she said. So they got into the rowboat and left for her side of the island. The woman tied up the rowboat with a beautifully woven hemp rope. They walked up a stone walk to an exquisite bungalow. "It's not much," she said, "but I call it home. Would you like a drink?" .....

Click this link to read the rest of the joke..... [Lost on an Island](#)



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## enricoSmog

If you do not know how to make reasonable adjustments and you are called upon to do so - you may risk costing your employer a lot of money and adverse publicity.

There are numerous cases that make it clear that the employer must make every effort to make workplace adjustments but too many employers who when required to do so, run around like headless chickens.

This need not be the case. The course book '[How to undertake personal risk assessments and make reasonable adjustments for disabled workers](#)' will show you where to start the assessment, the stages, and provide many examples (over 131 pages of examples in the handbook) of what to do, it will also concentrate on the parts where most people fall down and then fall foul of the law.

### Handbook

### [HSfB Community Forums](#)

Why not come along and search our community forums to answer your queries or check out our H & S comedy section, you could even register and be part of our ever growing friendly health and safety discussion board. Click this area to go directly there, it's all FREE....

# 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.*

## Coldrop's Health + Safety Site

This website is for the purpose of providing information, news and photographs of Health, Safety and Environmental working conditions along with brief explanations that may assist students during the study and revision periods of level 3 and 6 courses such as NEBOSH certificates and diplomas, University Pgd courses, BSC certificate and diploma and S/NVQ's in Occupational Safety, Health and Environment.

Most Health and Safety students need extra help with understanding and remembering all the information required for the certificate and diploma courses. On this site I hope to provide various types of photographic evidence of both good and poor working practices as well as links to excellent websites that can assist in the learning process.

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***"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 and legislation.

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