

We hope this issue finds you safe and well

This year's European Week for Safety and Health at Work – Safe Start – will be targeting the occupational safety and health of young people and we thought it would be a good idea to highlight the campaign in this week's issue. European Week 2006 will run from 23rd – 27th October.

If you want to organise your own activities and events to raise awareness of the issues, click the link below to take you to the official European Week web pages.

European Agency for Safety and Health at Work [Safe Start](#)

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

Asbestos – for the Health and Safety Beginner

Asbestos is one of those words H & S professionals don't like to hear. To most people it means Lung Cancer, Compensation or Expensive removal work. In the maze of H & S regulations, this one often gets forgotten...or worse...some people really believe their building has NO Asbestos, so why bother...even though their building was built pre 1999 (when Asbestos use in building materials was finally banned). What needs to be realised is that asbestos was incorporated into over 3000 products, including floor tiles, artex, pipe insulation, cement, cavity wall insulation,heck they even put it into toilet seats....

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Site News Including New Downloads

- One new download has been added to the downloads page - [Suspension Trauma](#)

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Regulation and Consultation Updates

- No legislation news updates in this issue.

Legislation News

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25 July 2006 - [Final Phase for Implementing the WEEE Directive](#)

The Government has launched a consultation marking the final phase on the key proposals for implementing the EC Directive on Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) which are to be introduced from 1 July 2007.

The WEEE Directive aims to address the environmental impact of electrical and electronic equipment (EEE) and to promote its separate collection when it becomes waste (WEEE).

24 July 2006 - [Latest Fire Statistics Lowest Since 1959](#)

The figures in the quarterly "Fire Statistics Monitor" publication are provisional figures compiled from reports submitted to the Department for Local Government and Communities (DCLG) on fires, fire deaths and injuries, and false fire alarms attended by the fire and rescue service throughout the UK. The latest figures for fatalities are provisional and subject to revision as information supplied by the fire and rescue service needs to be cross-checked against the cause of death that appears on the death certificate.

24 July 2006 - [Good Practice Conference 2006 Fire investigation - Lessons learned](#)

This publication shows presentation slides from the Arson Control Forum's one-day conference that took place on 26 June 2006. It examined lessons learned from real fire situations, including fire investigation research and techniques.

20 July 2006 - [Small Building Contractors in Cardiff Benefit from Free Safety Training](#)

A new partnership initiative between the Health and Safety Executive (HSE), the Cardiff local Working Well Together (WWT) group, and the Cardiff County Council Building Control Officers has been set up to improve the health and safety performance of small building contractors in Cardiff.

Cardiff County Council Building Control Officers will be carrying out routine visits during June, July and August where they will be recommending various small building firms to attend free half day health and safety training workshops.

19 July 2006 - [HSE Statement on Brent Bravo Inquiry Determination](#)

The determination in a Fatal Accident Inquiry into the deaths of two workers on the Brent Bravo offshore installation in September 2003 has been published yesterday (18 July 2006).

The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) extends its condolences to the families and loved ones of Sean McCue and Keith Moncrieff.

19 July 2006 - [HSE Warns Parents and Children of Quad Bike Risks](#)

Recent surveys carried out at the recent Safe Highlander events in Fort William and Skye have revealed that many children have admitted to dangerous practices whilst riding quad bikes, including not wearing helmets.

[Top 10 Downloads](#)

1. HAVS Levels Database by Mark Sutton
2. DSE Self-Assessment by HSfB
3. FIRE RISK ASSESSMENT by Claire Odd
4. NEBOSH Certificate Fire Safety by Terry Robson
5. CR NEBOSH Notes by Carl Royston
6. The Toolbox Talk Programme by Otto
7. Safety Induction by Malcolm Strong
8. Lifting and Handling Techniques
9. Risk Assessment by Nick Higginson
10. NIOSH Chemical Pocket Guide by Amjad Ata

[Stats for July so far](#)

Av'g Daily Visits – 744
Max Daily Visits – 1,049
Visits – 21,328
Bandwidth – 14,569MB
Total Visits – [554,398](#)
Forum Members – 885
News Subscribers – 650

More News

- 19 July 2006 - **Lord Hunt Calls for Health and Safety System that Leads the World**
- 11 July 2006 - **HSE Revamps Risk Assessment Guidance**

The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) has published revised risk assessment guidance which aims to help businesses spend less time dealing with red tape and more time on putting practical actions into effect. The revised guidance provides examples that spell out, in plain English, what is - and what is not - expected.

Photo of the Week & Joke of the Week from Safetyphoto.co.uk and our Forums

With thanks to Stoker at Safetyphoto for bringing us safety photos, environmental photos, safety case law, books and jokes. These jokes should be taken as light hearted fun, no more, no less.

Interesting Facts...just in case you were wondering

- An ostrich's eye is bigger than it's brain.
- Tigers have striped skin, not just striped fur.
- In most advertisements, including newspapers, the time displayed on a watch is 10:10.
- Al Capone's business card said he was a used furniture dealer.
- A dime has 118 ridges around the edge.
- On an American one-dollar bill, there is an owl in the upper left-hand corner of the "1" encased in the "shield" and a spider hidden in the front upper right-hand corner.
- The giant squid has the largest eyes in the world.
- The name for Oz in the "Wizard of Oz" was thought up when the creator, Frank Baum, looked at his filing cabinet and saw A-N, and O-Z, hence "Oz."
- The microwave was invented after a researcher walked by a radar tube and a chocolate bar melted in his pocket.
- John Lennon's first girlfriend was named Thelma Pickles.
- There are 336 dimples on a regulation golf ball.



The Safety Officer's Wife



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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**....

