

Strategy/Terms of Reference and title of the Group

Title – Wood Action Group

Suggested Terms of reference: The aim of the Wood Action Group is to contribute to the Commission's 'Strategy for workplace health and safety in Great Britain to 2010 and beyond' by promoting and fulfilling its vision in the woodworking industries. In particular, the Wood Action Group will:

- ♦ work with, and through, its intermediary bodies to reduce injuries and ill health caused by work in these industries;
- ♦ contribute to improved employment and productivity, by keeping those at work healthy and in work;
- ♦ seek to improve the management of health and safety risks; and
- ♦ encourage the industry to realise the benefits of employers and employees working together in partnership.

Strategy:

How we will work: Each part of the industry needs to establish what it actually wants to achieve. This can be targets, or agreement on minimum training standards or whatever is the priority for you.

Need to establish a baseline so that we can monitor whether our targets are being achieved and whether we make any difference. Because if we don't then we are wasting our time.

Propose to analyse stats on a yearly basis but these only tell part of the story. Don't tell us anything about improving health or about what is being done now that wasn't being done when we started.