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Try the WAIT e-tool – and help make your workplace safe

In 2008/09 over 4,000 employees suffered a major injury as a result of a fall from height. Falls happen in seconds but the results can last a lifetime. The effects are far-reaching, both for those involved and the industries they work in. Slips, trips and falls cost society in the order of £800 million per year.

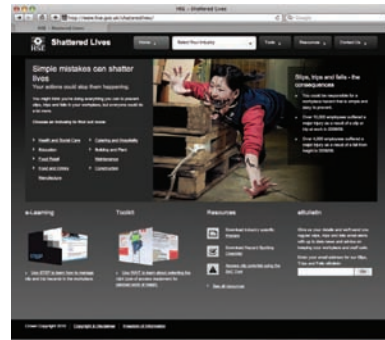
You can help to prevent falls from height by taking some simple steps. To help you, we've created the WAIT e-tool – a simple, online guide for people who occasionally need to work at height and need advice on selecting the right access equipment.

Take a few minutes to help protect your workforce

The Work at height Access equipment Information Toolkit (WAIT for short) is a simple way to identify the right access equipment to use if you occasionally need to work at height. Just log onto www.hse.gov.uk/shatteredlives and follow the simple instructions to access the WAIT e-tool.

This easy tool will help you:

- Assess the risks for the planned work at height
- Choose the right access equipment for the task
- Learn more about different types of access equipment available



Anyone can use WAIT and it only takes a few minutes. So, once you've tried it, why not encourage others to give it a go? By planning for safety now, you can prevent serious accidents happening in your workplace.



Satellite company successfully tackles falls

First Line Digital, installers of satellite aerials and dishes, recognised they could do more to tackle falls from height. After receiving recommendations from the HSE, they implemented a number of systems to keep their engineers safe and, year on year, they have improved training to ensure that all members of staff are fully equipped to understand and use their equipment correctly. In the five years since the changes were introduced there has been a significant reduction in the number of recorded falls.

James Malone, First Line Digital health and safety officer.

“The way we deliver training and conduct random audits ensures that our staff members take their safety very seriously.”

Take action to prevent slips, trips and falls at work today...

Visit www.hse.gov.uk/shatteredlives

- To access the WAIT e-tool
- For more advice on preventing falls from height
- To order campaign 'danger' display cards for use on staff desks, counters and notice boards.
- To access information on managing and preventing slips and trips at work, access the STEP e-tool



Take your first step today!

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