

CILF Newsletter

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Look after your business: What you must do

HSE has produced a ten-point list of key actions required by law that apply to nearly every business. It offers practical advice to help you comply, protect your workers and to find out about any exemptions. Information can be found on HSE's website.

<http://www.hse.gov.uk/business/must-do.htm>

Health and safety for new and expectant mothers



An updated webpage to help you answer some of the questions you may have about continuing to work while pregnant or about returning to work after giving birth.

<http://www.hse.gov.uk/mothers/index.htm>

Leading health and safety at work: Benefits and costs

<http://www.hse.gov.uk/leadership/benefits.htm>

Workplace health advice

Workplace health advice services available to small businesses: <http://www.hse.gov.uk/workplacehealth/index.htm>

Migrant workers' website

This has updated information for employers, providing answers to questions such as:

- What do the terms used mean?
- Who is responsible for the health and safety of migrant workers?
- What are the main responsibilities?
- What do labour providers and users have to do?
- What is the role in risk assessment?
- What about information, instruction, training and supervision?
- Do I need to keep records?
- Can I get help with language issues?
- What else do I need to do?

<http://www.hse.gov.uk/migrantworkers/employer.htm>

Coming soon: Safety and Health Awareness Day

Tuesday 28 October 2008: Northampton

The Cleaning Industry Liaison Forum are running an event aimed at cleaning industry supervisors, area and regional managers. It will provide you with health and safety information to help you with risk assessment, prevention of low falls and musculoskeletal injuries, slips and trips, and machinery safety. For more information and to book a place on the event please contact info@bics.org.uk, marked for the attention of Lorraine Larman.



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European campaign on risk Assessment 2008/09

The European Campaign for Safety and Health at Work, formerly known as Euroweek, will this time be a two-year campaign focusing on risk assessment. The campaign is aimed at a wide range of stakeholders, including employers, workers and safety representatives, and is intended to promote the benefits of completing and implementing a risk assessment. The campaign seeks to demystify the risk assessment process to show that risk assessment is not necessarily complicated, bureaucratic or a task only for experts.

<http://www.hse.gov.uk/campaigns/euroweek/index.htm>

Ladder exchange 2008

Around a third of all 'falls from height' accidents are as a result of a fall from a ladder. HSE's campaign aims to highlight the risks associated with using a defective ladder and provide employers with the opportunity to exchange their substandard ladder for a new one at a discounted price. Further details can be found at:

<http://www.hse.gov.uk/falls/ladderexchange.htm>

