



Supply Chain Initiative

REDUCING MUSCULOSKELETAL RISK IN HANDLING PLASTERBOARD STAKEHOLDER FORUM

The Rose & Globe Rooms, Rose Court, 2 Southwark Bridge, London, SE1 9HS

12 March 2009 [10.00am coffee, for 10.30am start to 3.30pm close]

Limited places - 'first come first served' - book now to reserve your place

Musculoskeletal injury from manual handling is a key health issue that HSE and industry are seeking to address together. The movement of heavy plasterboard can lead to musculoskeletal disorders, where the personal harm arising may be gradual and progressive over a period of time.

Although much work has been done, this is a live issue for the construction industry.

This event seeks to look at the handling issues concerning plasterboard from different perspectives throughout the supply chain. Talks will be given by an HSE specialist inspector, and representatives of plastering and dry wall contractors, manufacturer's, architects and designers, principal contractors and workers.

The main emphasis is on issues including:

- What are the risks involved?
- What sensible steps can be taken to reduce risk?
- What alternative controls are available?
- What part can design and scheduling play?
- What can the construction industry do to move this forward?

If you wish to attend:

Please post, fax or email your reply to **Janet Buckingham** (janet.buckingham@hse.gsi.gov.uk) at the Health & Safety Executive, with your name, organisation and contact details. Please indicate the number of people who will attend with you, though be aware that places are limited - we may have to confirm bookings on a first come, first served, basis.

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Replies should arrive no later than **25 February 2009**.

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REPLY FORM

Name(s) attending _____

Name of Company / Business

Address of Company / Business

Telephone _____

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Please specify any special dietary or other requirements



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AGENDA

10:00 – 10:30	Coffee
10:30 – 10:45	WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION
10:45 – 11:15	SESSION 1 - What are the risks? <i>HSE Specialist Inspector (Human Factors & Ergonomics)</i>
11:15 – 11:55	SESSION 2 - Working with plasterboard <i>Federation of Plastering & Drywall Contractors</i>
11:55 – 12:30	SESSION 3 - Manufacture & supply of plasterboard <i>Plasterboard manufacturers' representative</i>
12:30 – 13:15	LUNCH
13:15 – 13:45	SESSION 4 - Design considerations <i>Royal Institute of British Architects</i>
13:45 – 14:15	SESSION 5 - Scheduling and mechanisation <i>Principal contractors' representative</i>
14:15 – 14:30	SESSION 6 - A union perspective <i>Workers' representative</i>
14:30 – 15:00	Open Debate
15:00 – 15:20	Where do we go from here? - Plan of action
15:20 – 15:30	SUM UP AND CLOSE

Please note: time will be allowed for discussion after each presentation.