

WORLD DAY FOR SAFETY AND HEALTH AT WORK – 28TH APRIL 2021

'The World Day for Safety and Health at Work is an annual international campaign to promote safe, healthy and decent work.' – Awareness Days

Press the 'Refresh BUTTON'

By its nature, demolition is an inherently dangerous environment. This day is our opportunity to reinforce and build our credentials as an industry and emphasise the importance we place on making demolition a SAFE place to WORK.

“ A national occupational safety and health culture is one in which the right to a safe and healthy working environment is respected at all levels, where governments, employers and workers actively participate in securing a safe and healthy working environment through a system of defined rights, responsibilities and duties, and where the highest priority is accorded to the principle of prevention. ” – Awareness Days

Why now?

All environments have their risks, some greater than others. To address this we need good systems in place to protect our people and keep them safe and free from accidents and injury.

“ Every day, 6,300 people die as a result of occupational accidents or work-related diseases more than 2.3 million deaths per year. 317 million accidents occur on the job annually; many of these resulting in extended absences from work. The human cost of this daily adversity is vast and the economic burden of poor occupational safety and health practices is estimated at 4 per cent of global Gross Domestic Product each year. ” – Awareness Days

These are quite disturbing statistics. Every day the lives of the people we work with, in our 'care', are at risk.

Complacency is our enemy, 'out of sight is out of mind'. To make our safety systems work for us we need to put people and Safety at Work back at the front of our everyday priorities.

Safety starts with leaders and managers. It is up to us to make the difference by creating an environment that encourages and supports the positive safety behaviours required to keep our places of work 'SITE SAFE'.

Our standards at work should support the goal that;

“ All staff and visitors go home in the same state they came to work, every day. ”

where 'A safe place of work is a great place to work!'

What can WE do today?

“ People are involved in all aspects of work, which is why HSE recognises the importance that human factors can play in helping avoid accidents and ill-health at work. ” - HSE



TAKE THE SAFETY LEADERSHIP CHALLENGE

Visible Safety Leadership

Positively promote and reinforce your company's safety procedures and behaviours.

1.

Put **safety first** - at the top of your agenda.

2.

Demonstrate the importance we place on Safety at Work – If leaders don't, they won't!

3.

Be visible - '**Take The Tour**'.

4.

Be a positive **role model**.

5.

Look for opportunities to have a positive **safety conversation** - reinforce observed safety behaviours and actions.

6.

Talk Safety - make a point to speak with your staff about safety.

7.

Ask for feedback - continuous improvement keeps you up-to-date and relevant.

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