

Health & Safety Insight - Issue 2

Snapshot of what's happening in the world of health and safety

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News & Policy Updates



'Biggest changes to building safety in a generation' says UK Government

In early April, Housing Secretary, Robert Jenrick MP, announced the UK Government's "ambitious steps to further reform the building safety systems", in line with the Building a Safer Future consultation.

Mr Jenrick highlighted that the reforms are designed to incentivise compliance and to better enable the use of enforcement powers and sanctions. He added: "The Government is bringing about the biggest change in building safety for a generation."

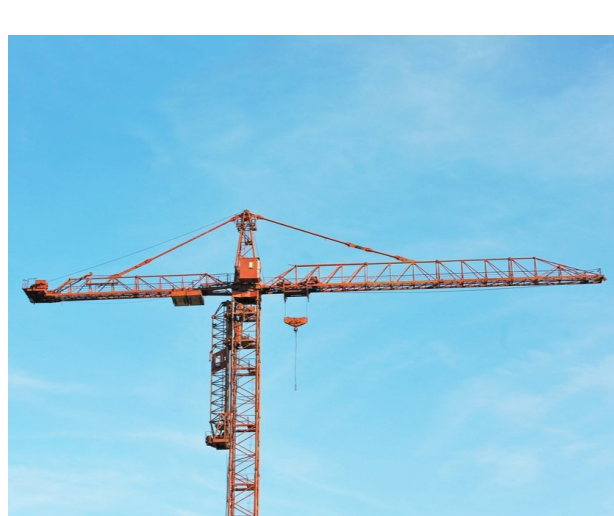
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UK Government introduces new Fire Safety Bill

The UK government has introduced a new bill to improve fire safety in buildings in England and Wales. The new legislation, if passed, will amend the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 to place a legal requirement on residential building owners to inspect cladding and fire doors.

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CPA Tower Crane Safety Alert

Given the unprecedented situation presently faced with the outbreak of coronavirus, the Construction Plant-hire Association (CPA) has issued advice to tower crane users relating to how tower cranes should be left out of service for potentially lengthy periods of time.

[Click here for the CPA advice](#)



Reporting a Health and Safety Issue during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak

The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) is the enforcing authority for Public Health England (PHE) guidelines and will consider a range of actions for non-compliance, from providing advice to issuing enforcement and prohibition notices. It has also set up a website for workers to report concerns about health and safety where they cannot be resolved by speaking with their employer or trade union.

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HSE eBulletin: Coronavirus (COVID-19) – latest advice and information

An update on the latest information for employers and employees in the construction industry, including details of advice and guidance around the coronavirus outbreak.

[Check the HSE website daily for the latest updates.](#)



Safe Operating Practices during the Coronavirus outbreak

Build UK has launched its Site Operating Procedures – Version 3 published by the Construction Leadership Council (CLC).

These procedures incorporate the latest guidance on Social distancing in the workplace during coronavirus (COVID-19) from Public Health England (PHE) and reinforce the need for sites to monitor their implementation.

MEWP Real-time Safety System

On Laing O'Rourke Infrastructure's Blackburn Batch Project, there are 15 Mobile Elevating Work Platforms operational. To increase safety, the site team has designed a real time system for ensuring all safety checks are carried out. It monitors speed and idling time, and ensures only authorised operators are able to start a machine. If necessary, it can remotely switch off plant that is found to be breaching company policy regarding the environment and health and safety.

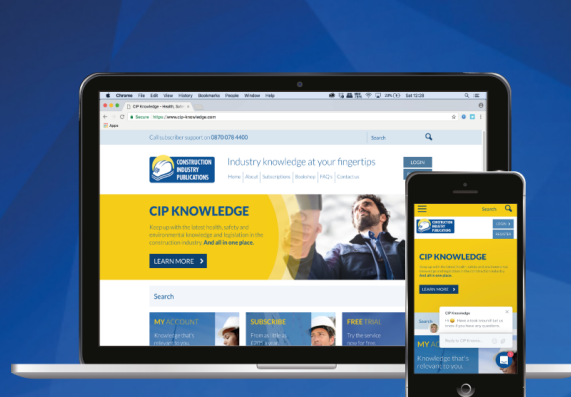
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London Excel



The Health and Safety Event
22-23 September
Birmingham NEC

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