



HSE Dispel the Myths around Health and Safety

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ABC Health and Safety Ltd are now Registered to run the following courses. Spaces are limited so please contact us as soon as possible:

- **IOSH Managing Safely**

Next course:

16/17th Sept 2010

Continued 23/24th Sept

- **IOSH Working Safely**

Next course

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- **IOSH Managing Environmental Responsibilities**

Next course

17/18 June 2010 continued 24/25 June 2010

- **NVQ Level 3 and 4 in Occupational Health and Safety**

If you would like any more information about any of the above courses please contact us: info@abchsltd.co.uk

New figures released today reveal that the number of people killed at work in Britain fell last year to a record low.

The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) has released the provisional data, which shows that 151 workers were killed between 1 April 2009 and 31 March 2010 compared to 178 deaths in the previous year and an average number over the last 5 years of 220 deaths per year.

Judith Hackitt, the HSE Chair said:

"It's really very encouraging to see a further reduction in workplace fatalities in the past year. This is performance which owes much to good practice, leadership and employee engagement. No doubt the recession has resulted in lower levels of activity in some sectors and a decrease in the numbers of new inexperienced recruits has also contributed to this fall in fatalities.

"We should also remember that 151 families are mourning the loss of someone who last year went out to work and never came home. Being one of the best health and safety performers in the world means continuing to strive to drive these numbers down further - not getting complacent about what we've collectively achieved and recognising the new challenges as we emerge from the recession.

"As with all health and safety statistics, today's announcement is a combination of encouraging news about improvement but also a salutary reminder of the tragedies of lives lost at work."

Despite the overall improvement, agriculture, the most dangerous industry in Britain, has recorded a sizeable increase in deaths. 38 workers died on farms in the last year, marking a disappointing return to levels of earlier years after a record low of 25 deaths in 2008/09.

HSE Myth of the Month - Health and safety risks stop children playing 'pin the tail

The reality

We recently read that the traditional party game 'pin the tail on the donkey' is allegedly under threat because parents consider it a health and safety risk.

Not trusting children with drawing pins seems a little overprotective to us. After all, millions of children have been playing traditional party games like this for years without any problems.

Was this just a marketing ploy to drum up sales of party games?



For other course dates for the rest of the year, please contact ABC on 01304 206228 or email on info@abchsltd.co.uk

