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FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

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JIts been a cold start to the year, with numerous amber and red warnings from the MET office, lets hope itll start to warm up ASAP

Our newsletters and safety campaign will be published at the start of each month. Our aim is to inform and highlight some positive news throughout the year



MEET THE TEAM

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My name is Kacper, and I work as a Principal Designer and Safety Advisor at Construction Safety Solutions. I hold a BSc(Hons) in Food Sciences, but three years ago, I transitioned into construction and quickly fell in love with the industry. I'm passionate about overseeing and improving processes to ensure safer working environments.

Having witnessed too many breaches and accidents in the past, I'm dedicated to making a real difference by providing guidance that keeps people safe.I'm absolutely thrilled to be part of CSS and truly appreciate the fantastic workplace culture here. The support I've received has been incredible, making it a great place to grow and contribute.

Outside of work, I enjoy playing boogie-woogie on the piano and training my border collie, Kimchi.

CONSTRUCTION SAFETY SOLUTIONS ARE VERY PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE HAVE COLLABORATED WITH <u>MITCHELLS & BUTLERS PLC</u> TO FORM A NEW S.M.A.R.T CARD (SAFETY MANAGEMENT AND REQUIREMENTS TEST).

This online test will be used to provide proof that those working on M&B sites have a solid understanding of construction site health and safety





CSS and M&B have collaborated to form a new S.M.A.R.T Card (Safety Management and Requirements Test).

THE TEST



20 multiplechoice questions covering various categories. The test will be able to be completed for a small fee A pass mark c 80% is required to obtain the certificate.



Expected that all levels of site personnel should be able to pass.

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AS WE ENTER THE COLDER MONTHS, IT'S IMPORTANT TO STAY ALERT TO THE CHANGING CONDITIONS ON SITE. WITH SHORTER DAYLIGHT HOURS AND A GREATER CHANCE OF WET AND ICY SURFACES, THE RISK OF SLIPS, TRIPS, AND FALLS INCREASES.

BE SURE TO EXERCISE EXTRA CAUTION WHEN MOVING THROUGH SITE AREAS AND ENSURE THAT WALKWAYS AND ACCESS ROUTES ARE WELL-LIT AND TREATED WITH GRIT WHERE NEEDED.

DURING THIS SEASON, THE USE OF PROPER PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE) BECOMES EVEN MORE VITAL. PROMPTLY REPORTING ANY POTENTIAL HAZARDS, NO MATTER HOW MINOR THEY MAY APPEAR, IS ESSENTIAL FOR MAINTAINING A SAFE WORK ENVIRONMENT FOR EVERYONE.

LETS CONTINUE THIS GOOD PRACTISE UNTIL THE WEATHER STARTS TO WARM AGAIN!

FINES AND PROSECUTIONS

FINE FOR COMPANY AFTER WORKER FELL TO HIS DEATH FROM CHURCH STEEPLE



COMPANY FINED AFTER BARN ROOF FALL HTTPS://PRESS.HSE.GOV.UK/2025/01/03/COMPANY-FINED-AFTER-BARN-ROOF-FALL/







Within the health and safety industry we tend to focus on the negatives; prosecutions and when things go wrong ETC, each month we'll be sharing some good practises we've seen on our site visits



ELECTRICAL HOODS ARE BECOMING MORE FREQUENT ON SITE, WITH THE OPTION OF HIRING THE KIT BEOMCING A POPULAR CHOICE

WE'VE BEEN SEEING MORE DUST CUBES ON SITE, THESE ARE A GREAT WAY TO IMPROVE THE AIR QUALITY WITHIN WORK AREA



Dust and other COSHH are a serious hazard to contractors, and while the short-term effects can be minor, the long-term effects can be devastating.

SiliSilica is the biggest risk to construction workers after asbestos. Heavy and prolonged exposure to RCS can cause lung cancer and other serious respiratory diseases. HSE commissioned estimates it was responsible for the death of over 500 construction workers in 2005. In addition to the risks from lung cancer, silica is also linked to other serious lung diseases

Take a look at the look on ways to prevent exposure https://www.hse.gov.uk/construction/healthrisks/hazardous-substances/construction-dust.htm

GOT SOME GOOD PRACTISE YOU'D LIKE TO SHARE? DROP US AN EMAIL

WE ARE HERE TO HELP!

CSS strive to ensure that we offer the best possible advice as early as possible. If you have any concerns, or questions in relation to the project you are working on, please call us so that we can advise and offer any assistance that may be needed. We have a very approachable team who are there to help through the whole project process.



CDM TRAINING



CSS offer a range of CDM training sessions which can be carried out at a location that suits you, or online. This includes CDM training for all duty holders.

If you would like training undertaken please do not hesitate to contact our office on 01869 220649 where we will be happy to help.

Alternatively, if you want to discuss safety matters, or the newsletter contact Phil Davies on 07718 096940 or phil.davies@constructionss.co.uk

