

# SEE CARE SHARE SAFETY UPDATE



Compass UK & Ireland HSE

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## SAFETY INCIDENTS DUE TO A LACK OF MINDFULNESS

In recent weeks we have seen an increase in the number of incidents resulting in team members having to take time off work due to injuries. These incidents occurred whilst team members were carrying out routine tasks and all had one thing in common and that was a lack of mindfulness. Out of all the incidents within Compass UK and Ireland that have occurred in the last 12 months over 70% of them could have been avoided if we were all Being Mindful. Below are some simple tips to help the teams focus on the task at hand which you can share with your teams. Additionally there is a Safety Conversation to share with your teams.

Before starting a new task follow this quick mental safety checklist:

1. Are there any hazards? This could be a trip hazard along the route you are going, can you walk the route to check before continuing the task?
2. Have I got the right equipment? Taking a moment to make sure you have got the correct equipment and PPE and it is in good working order.
3. Is there enough time? Have you given yourself enough time to undertake the task safely? Taking shortcuts often results in accidents occurring.

## ARE WE COMPLIANT WITH OUR STATUTORY COMPLIANCE?

We have a duty of care to our teams to ensure that all statutory compliance is being completed in line with legislative requirements, this includes Gas, Electrical, Pressure Systems, Lifts and Lifting Equipment, Extract and Ventilation, Fire, Water, Asbestos and Air Conditioning Systems.

The key document that must be completed in unit by the unit management is the Work Premises: Statutory Compliance Declaration. This document is located within the Additional Health and Safety Documents Section of the Workplace Safety Management System Folder or alternatively is available on the HSE Website by clicking here: [WSMS](#)  
This document must be completed and reviewed annually to ensure there are no changes to either duty holders or documentation reference locations. The "Duty holder" is the person responsible for ensuring the inspections and testing is completed in line with the legislative requirements.

You must ensure that the document is completed and signed by all identified duty holders, in some cases Compass will be the duty holder and in others the "Client" will be the duty holder. Once agreed and at what time frames the reinspecting is required, you should complete the HSE Activity Calendar with the relevant dates to ensure you plan in the annual reviews.

Please ensure that you share the Safety Conversation on Statutory Compliance with your unit management team and any other applicable team members.



MONTHLY SAFETY FOCUS

## GARDEN SAFETY CHECKLIST

As are all looking forward to the summer weather some of us will starting to enjoy our gardens more, including working and maintaining the garden. As with any work in the home, doing jobs in the garden can lead to injuries if they are not done safely.

RoSPA, the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents has identified a checklist of safety precautions to follow in the garden to prevent injury to yourself, your family and friends.

1. Protect yourself from electrocution by always using a residual current device (RCD) when operating electrically powered garden tools and mowers.
2. Avoid poisoning and chemical burns by storing chemicals for use in the garage or garden safely, out of sight and out of reach of children, preferably in a secure cabinet.
3. Reduce the risk of small children drowning by securely fencing or filling in garden ponds or water features and always supervising children near water.
4. Avoid injury from falls by always checking a ladder's condition before use and by using it at a safe angle.
5. Only use electrical gardening equipment outdoors when it is dry.
6. Avoid injury from sharp garden tools to users or children by keeping them in good repair and safely tidied away after use.
7. Avoid uncontrollable fires by always siting bonfires and barbecues well away from fences, sheds and trees.
8. Avoid accidents and injury when doing DIY tasks by always operating within the range of your skills, ability and experience.

TAKE HOME SAFETY



## Safety In Numbers - April 2024

Information and Statistics Apply To All Compass Group UK&I Units



### Safety Incidents

Hazards & Near Miss Incidents:	<b>683</b>
Injury Incidents:	<b>223</b>
Total Recordable Incidents:	<b>22</b>
RIDDOR Incidents:	<b>03</b>



### Food Incidents

Alleged Food Poisoning:	<b>10</b>
Foreign Bodies (In Unit):	<b>04</b>
Foreign Bodies (Supplier):	<b>11</b>
Substantiated Allergies:	<b>01</b>
Enforcement Visits:	<b>100</b>



### Top Injury Types

Slips, Trips and Falls	<b>234</b>
Burns and Scalds	<b>86</b>
Cuts	<b>63</b>



## Safety Reminders



- Has your unit completed the [Work Premises: Statutory Compliance Declaration](#) with the client? This should be completed annually and the completed copy kept in your WSMS Folder.
- Need help with accessing the AIR3 system and reporting an incident? Watch our new video on the [AIR3 Page](#) now.
- Not sure if you have missed an update on the HSE Website? Not to worry! In response to your feedback we have introduced a summary of all updates each month on a [new dedicated page of the website](#).

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