



CONSTRUCTION CONFEDERATION

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**2nd in series of films launched
'Safeguarding People: Working with Roofs'**

The second DVD in a groundbreaking series of films affirming great design whilst safeguarding people working in construction has been launched. The films are aimed at architects (including trainees) and other construction professionals who have a key role in creating safe, sustainable and buildable designs.

In 2007 there was a 28% increase in construction worker fatalities, with falls from height being the biggest killer. 77 people died from falls

The second DVD, covers working with roofs and looks at the areas where designers can make a difference. It specifically looks at (1) reoccurring problems when constructing roofs (2) what designers can do to decrease the risks and (3) some innovative examples of where designers have looked to minimise risks. The DVD concentrates on both the construction and maintenance issues relating to roofs.

Copies of the DVDs are available to purchase from Construction Industry Publications Ltd (CIP), price £14.99 inclusive of VAT plus P&P. Order from CIP, 17 Gatelodge Close, Round Spinney, Northampton, NN3 8RJ. Tel 0870 078 4400, or via their website www.cip-books.com

Further DVDs are planned to assist internal training in small and large design companies around the UK. The aim being to promote understanding of health and safety and how to integrate good practice in the design.

Shelley Atkinson Frost, Director of Health and Safety Executive at the Construction Confederation said "Designers have a fantastic opportunity to ensure safety when working on roofs. This DVD shows real life project examples where designers have provided simple design solutions to achieve significant health and safety improvements without stifling innovation. Safer design can bring greater savings, creativity and reputation."

The DVD challenges architects' perceptions of addressing health and safety through their design process. It also seeks to provide best practice solutions to health and safety issues in design, harnessing great ideas and hints from current architects.

The films have been commissioned by a new film production team, SquaredCircle. The team comprises four industry health and safety specialists: Mark Poole, PCM; Peter Caplehorn, RIBA; Shelley Atkinson-Frost, Construction Confederation; Tom Harper, Constructing Excellence, South West with support from the Working Well Together construction industry health and safety campaign.

Each DVD will feature a different part of the building process. Individual film titles are as follows:

- Part 1 Company Compliance
- Part 2 Roofs
- Part 3 Refurbishment & alterations
- Part 4 Structures

Anyone interested in sponsoring other films, or architects with examples of good design for health and safety for future films, should leave a message at www.squaredcircle.info

Notes to editors:

1. Construction Industry Publications (CIP) can be contacted:

- Tel: 0870 078 4400
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2. Photos

Photos taken during filming in London can be found by cutting and pasting the following into an Internet search:

http://picasaweb.google.com/markpoole6/ShootingDVD?authkey=e_RUyl_SpTQ

The group photos shown there are L- R Mark Poole, Shelley Atkinson Frost, Tom Harper, Peter Caplehorn. There may be other photos available after the launch.

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