

E Safety - Toolbox Talk

E UNLOADING DELIVERIES - USE OF SOFT LANDING BAGS

E Working on the bed of a delivery vehicle or on top of the load on a delivery vehicle is working from a height and works from height are classified as any height where there is a possibility for serious injury as the result of a fall: -



For your use your employer has provided soft landing bags as a means to minimise the effects of a fall although where possible working at height should be avoided through the use of forklifts. Telehandler and slinging and un slinging the load from ground level.

These 'bag's are 2.500 x 0.55 x 0.55 and weigh approximately 7kg

Why is this so important?

90% of falls from vehicles are falls from below head height

Approximately 2000 workers are seriously injured and on average 5 lose their lives across all industries every year from falling from a vehicle. The construction industry accounts for around 10% of these

In construction 70% of those injured in falls from vehicles are non-drivers, i.e. those unloading the delivery where as in all other industries the figure is around 25% with 75% being drivers.

- ↙ Place soft landing bags around all sides of the working platform
- ↙ Use a minimum of two rows, although the height of the load may require the use of three or more
- ↙ Ensure that all the bags are connected together using the clips attached, meaning both together in pairs and as a line along the working platform
- ↙ Access the 'wagon bed' using the steps and handholds provided or alternatively a footed ladder



- ✘ DON'T work on any platform or bed without having installed the 'bags' first
- ✘ DON'T use damaged or defective bags, report them to your supervisor immediately
- ✘ DON'T allow delivery drivers to work unsafely
- ✘ DON'T allow others to work unsafely