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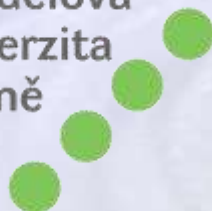
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‘Development of European standards for the independent inspection of work at height equipment’

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Project Brief

- Inspection is a European Legal requirement.
- To reduce accidents and fatalities using equipment.
- Improve existing methods of inspection
- Research & develop non-destructive testing methods
- **Develop a common European approach to inspection**

Aims & Objectives

Encourage compliance with European Law:

- Recording of operator equipment checks
- Using new techniques for inspection
- Harmonisation of training and certification standards
- Independent thorough inspection

European Directives:

89/686/EEC (PPE)

95/63/EC (Falls from height)

2001/45/EC (Rope access)

2009/104/EC (Inspection & training)



Project Status

- Researched and reviewed methods for non-destructive(new) and destructive testing methods
- Analysing and cross referencing existing standards of training and assessment
- Researching work at height accidents and fatalities
- Development of a database of equipment manufacturers
- Analysing of European Norms for working at height equipment



Transfer of Innovation

STATISTICS

- 2009 (UK statistics) >4000 major injuries were caused by falls from work at height
<http://www.hse.gov.uk/falls>
- Equipment failures (currently being investigated)
- Preventable – thorough inspection





