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Welcome to the March 2023 edition of **The Safety Observer**, the newsletter of the National Irish Safety Organisation. The Safety Observer contains information that is current, informative and useful to subscribers. We keep you up to date on what is happening in occupational safety and health. NISO Update, the quarterly magazine, was circulated on 16 January 2023 last and the next edition for NISO members is scheduled for mid April 2023. The last edition of Safety Observer was distributed on 20 December 2022.

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### **All Ireland Safety Awards**

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### **NISO/NISG All Ireland Safety Quiz**

The All Ireland Safety Quiz Regional Heats are continuing throughout March 2023. For upcoming dates, venues and bookings visit [niso.ie](http://niso.ie).

### **NISO Golf Classic in Support of Charity**

NISO is hosting a special 60th Anniversary Golf Classic at the Heritage Resort in Co. Laois on 23 June 2023. For further details visit [niso.ie/product/golf](http://niso.ie/product/golf).

### **NISO AGM**

The Annual General Meeting of the National Ireland Safety Organisation will take place on 1 April 2023 in the Radisson Blu Hotel & Spa, Sligo.

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## IRISH NEWS

### HSA confirms 26 fatalities in 2022

Data from the HSA shows that 26 people lost their lives in work-related incidents in 2022 compared to 38 in 2021, representing the lowest figure recorded since the HSA was established over thirty years ago. Construction and farming sectors account for almost three quarters of all work-related fatalities.

<http://bit.ly/3S69CJb>

### Commencement of the PIAB Act 2022

The Minister of State for Trade Promotion and Digital Transformation at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment, Dara Calleary, has signed the order to commence the first phase of provisions of the Personal Injuries Resolution Board Act 2022 which came into operation on 13 February 2023. The provisions being introduced aim to strengthen and enhance the PIAB framework. Later this year, a further phase of this legislation will enable PIAB to

offer a mediation service in a further extension to its services.

<http://bit.ly/3RXgokB>

### **Launch of Safe Pass Renewal online**

Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science, Simon Harris, has welcomed the official launch of Safe Pass Renewal online. Safe Pass Renewal removes the need to take a full day off work and significantly reduces the waiting time for current card holders. Safe Pass Renewal is a self-directed learning model where candidates can access revision material and undertake the test in a registered and controlled test centre. The test consists of 50 multiple choice questions to be answered within 45 minutes. Card holders can still continue to renew their cards through the existing tutor lead programme delivered in a classroom setting if they wish to do so.

<http://bit.ly/3KBhsJ4>

### **Changes to ATV legislation in 2023**

New legislation for the use of All Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) will come into effect in Ireland on 20 November 2023. The new legislation includes a requirement for all operators of an ATV to complete a relevant safety course. According to the HSA, between 2012 and 2021 there were 11 fatalities on farms as a result of incidents involving ATVs. The new legislation is aimed at reducing the number of accidents involving ATVs and ultimately, saving lives.

<http://bit.ly/3I363id>

### **At least 10 assaults a day reported in Irish hospitals**

Representatives for the Irish Nurses and Midwives Organisation (INMO) appeared before a Joint Committee on Health on the Welfare and Safety of Workers in the Public Health Service calling for greater supports to ensure the safety and welfare of its members. The committee heard that at least 10 assaults happen at Irish hospitals every single day. In her opening statement, the INMO General Secretary told the committee that over 9,000 assaults occurred between January 2021 and October 2022 — almost double the figure recorded by the Health Service Executive (HSE). The General Secretary also stressed that it was the responsibility of the HSE to protect its employees in the workplace, and that the Health and Safety Authority (HSA) should be resourced appropriately in order to carry out investigations into verbal and physical assaults in hospitals.

<http://bit.ly/3IzIKyl>

### **83% of retail staff experiencing harassment**

According to research carried out by a fuel and convenience store chain, 83% of retail workers in Ireland have experienced incidents of harassment at work, with 68% experiencing incidents at least once a month. The study also found that 69% of the company's employees reported seeing fellow colleagues experience inappropriate behaviour such as physical assault and verbal abuse when dealing with customers. In response to the survey findings, the company said it has launched a new initiative encouraging the public to consider the impact that their behaviour has on retail workers and to always treat them with kindness.

<http://bit.ly/3xu3kte>

### **Farmers' health and wellbeing programme**

A farmer health and wellbeing programme is being rolled out for the second time in February. In this article a farmer who participated in the first roll out of the course is urging farmers to sign up for this training which he describes as "brilliant". He describes his experience on the course which is designed especially for those working in the agriculture sector which can have a lasting positive impact on both farmers and farm workers.

<http://bit.ly/3Yz6ubm>

### **Oireachtas investigates health service bullying claims**

A special Oireachtas Health Committee meeting was recently held to discuss health, safety and wellbeing of Ireland's frontline health workers. The meeting was called after a radio show highlighted widespread claims of bullying within the health service. Nursing unions have warned that the health service "can't be trusted" to police workplace bullying and are calling for health and safety officers to be drafted in to deal with the situation.

<http://bit.ly/3xszANr>

## **UK NEWS**

### **Civil engineering firm fined £4.4m for safety breaches**

A civil engineering firm has been fined more than £4.4m after its workers twice struck overhead power lines while working on the M6 motorway causing cables to land in the path of passing vehicles. The company pleaded guilty to two

breaches of health and safety legislation. They were fined £4.415m and ordered to pay costs of £87,759.60 at the Manchester Crown Court.

<http://bit.ly/3IEFAJi>

### **Drinks firm fined £800k after HGV driver killed**

A drinks supplier has been fined £800,000 for health and safety breaches after the death of a HGV driver who was picking up a delivery at its depot. The 59-year-old man was struck by a forklift while waiting for his trailer to be loaded at the depot and later died from his injuries. An investigation by the UK's Health and Safety Executive found that the firm's risk assessment was out of date and not fit for purpose.

<http://bit.ly/3kbUc9L>

### **Construction company fined £126k following fatality**

A construction company has been fined £146k after a joiner was crushed and killed by a 20-tonne excavator. An investigation by the UK's Health and Safety Executive found that the work had not been adequately planned and no instruction had been given to the digger operator or to pedestrians who were working in the area. The risks hadn't been adequately assessed and there was no segregation of pedestrians and plant in this area of the site. The company pleaded guilty to breaches of construction regulations.

<http://bit.ly/3ICijYv>

### **Firm fined £120k for lifting builders in telehandler bucket**

A building firm has been fined for a catalogue of health and safety failings that included lifting two builders in a telehandler bucket high into the air. HSE inspectors visited the site five times between July 2018 and August 2021 and found repeated breaches including a lack of sufficient welfare, unsuitable controls for work at height and inadequate protection from silica dust exposure. The firm was fined £120,000 and ordered to pay £3,165 in costs at the Magistrates' Court.

<http://bit.ly/3XBGURH>

### **Company fined £120k following fall from roof**

A company has been fined £120,000 after a man died following a fall from the roof of a building site. The Health and Safety Executive found that the man's employer failed to adequately assess the risks associated with this work, giving little consideration to the work at height hierarchy of control and opting for

personal protection measures over more suitable collective protection measures, such as scaffolding or MEWPs. The company pleaded guilty to breaching health and safety legislation.

<http://bit.ly/3ExOrKA>

### **Hundreds of NHS buildings contain asbestos**

The Trades Union Congress (TUC) has warned that hundreds of NHS buildings across London and Scotland still contain asbestos. The substance was present in at least 451 NHS premises in London and 695 in Scotland. The TUC wants all asbestos to be moved from public buildings by law.

<http://bit.ly/3YYB1Ps>

### **Mental health first aid law proposed**

A new law requiring businesses to offer mental health first aid training has been presented to parliament in the UK. Many businesses already offer mental health training to first aiders but it is not a legal requirement. It has been proposed that this law would help to save lives and also reduce the number of workdays lost to poor mental health.

<http://bit.ly/3lgptjM>

### **Inquest into mining disaster deaths to be reopened**

The families of four men who died in a South Wales mining disaster 11 years ago have been told their inquests will be reopened. The four men were killed when thousands of gallons of water flooded the drift mine. The mine's site manager and the company that ran the mine went on trial for gross negligence manslaughter in 2014 but were acquitted. Following the trial, the coroner decided not to hold a full inquest into the deaths, a decision the men's families have been campaigning to overturn in desperation to get answers to what caused the tragedy.

<http://bit.ly/3xMo93r>

## **EUROPEAN NEWS**

### **EU handbook on working conditions of posted workers during COVID-19**

The "European Market Environment in the Construction Sector - Enhancing the free movement of posted workers in the EU" (EMECs) project, co-funded by the European Commission, aims to understand how the measures introduced by Member States to combat the COVID-19 pandemic have affected posted

workers in the construction sector. The project aims at delivering proposals and recommendations to better support posted workers in case of future pandemics.

<http://bit.ly/3Ki7VGN>

### **Organisations co-sign letter to commissioners about agri deaths**

Two major organisations – European Federation of Food Agriculture and Tourism Trade Unions (EFFAT) and European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC) – have co-signed a letter to several European Commissioners about the need to address the high number of deaths in agriculture. The letter provides statistics on the high number of fatalities and accidents in the agri and forestry sectors in the EU and outlines three key actions towards zero workplace deaths in agriculture.

<http://bit.ly/3IPS7dk>

### **Stricter tractor driver rules review delayed**

The European Commission has indicated that a review of proposed stricter rules for tractor driver licences, which would limit weight and speed capacity for younger drivers, is unlikely to go ahead this year. Under the proposed two-tier system, to be common across Member States, instead of the current national regulatory approach the minimum age requirement for an entry level T1 licence would still be 16 years but a speed limit of 40km per hour and a maximum combination weight limit of 20 tonnes would be applied.

<http://bit.ly/3IsNmpT>

## **FATALITIES AND ACCIDENTS**

### **Man dies following workplace accident in Co. Kerry**

A man who suffered serious burns in an accident at a food manufacturing plant in Co. Kerry has died in hospital from his injuries. The man, who was in his 60s, was an employee at the plant and suffered the injuries in an accident with heated cleaning liquid. Emergency services attended the scene and he was rushed to hospital where he later died. The accident is being investigated by the HSA.

<http://bit.ly/416GgyB>

### **Man dies following accident at Co. Kerry site**

A man in his 50s has died in a workplace accident at a site in Co. Kerry. The man was working for a contractor undertaking works at the site. It is believed he



suffered fatal injuries from a heavy water pipe. An Garda Síochána attended the scene of the accident and the HSA has confirmed it has launched an investigation into this accident.

<http://bit.ly/3xHRwnz>

### **Man dies in Co. Galway farm accident**

A man in his 20s has died following an accident on a family farm in Co. Galway. The man died in an accident involving a tractor while he was feeding cattle. An Garda Síochána and the HSA have launched investigations into the fatality.

<http://bit.ly/3lgrSuU>

### **Man dies in Co. Wexford workplace accident**

A businessman has died in a workplace accident in Co. Wexford. The man was working on the roof of a premises with a friend when he fell from the roof, sustaining fatal injuries. Two ambulances and several gardaí attended the scene and the man was rushed to hospital where he later died.

<http://bit.ly/3IVfGYS>

### **Man dies while fishing off Donegal coast**

A man in his late 30s has died after going overboard from a vessel which was fishing for crab off the Donegal coast. A rescue effort was stood down after the man's crew mates managed to recover the body from the water. Efforts to revive him were unsuccessful. It is believed the man was originally from eastern Europe. An incident has been reported to the Marine Casualty Investigation Board.

<http://bit.ly/3Z3df4M>

### **Irish man killed in workplace accident in New Zealand**

A young man from Co. Laois has died in a farm accident in New Zealand. It is understood that the man, who was in his mid-20s, died while working with machinery which reportedly struck power lines. He was an Agricultural College graduate and had been working in New Zealand since autumn 2022.

<http://bit.ly/3xOyXOk>

### **Man “lucky to be alive” following workplace accident**

A man in his 30s is “lucky to be alive” following an accident on a construction site in Dublin. The man was working on the site when he got crushed between a steel pipe and a cherry picker that was being lifted by a crane. He suffered very

serious injuries in the accident including a broken femur, damaged pelvis and a chipped bone in his spine. A fundraising campaign has been set up to support the man as he recovers from his injuries.

<http://bit.ly/41htyNI>

## **IN THE COURTS**

### **Man awarded €365k following back injury**

The High Court has awarded €365,000 in damages to a Co. Tipperary man who has been left unable to work after injuring his back in a workplace accident. The man sued his employer over injuries he sustained in 2017 while lifting a bag of pork. The man is seeking damages for the injuries he suffered which he claimed were caused by the defendant's alleged negligence and failure to provide him with a safe system of work. The claims have been denied. When all of the evidence was taken into account the judge said the plaintiff was entitled to damages under headings including past loss of earnings, future loss of earnings and general damages totalling €365,500.

<http://bit.ly/3XSuuEW>

### **Company fined €80k after fatal accident on construction site**

A company has been fined €80,000 in the Circuit Court for breaches of health and safety legislation. The prosecution arose after an accident on a construction site in which an employee of the company died after falling from a height whilst in the process of installing precast concrete slabs at the first floor level of the building. The company pleaded guilty to the charge against them.

<http://bit.ly/3kqgYnS>

### **Company fined €50k following breaches of H&S legislation**

A Tralee Circuit Criminal Court imposed a fine of €50,000 on a company following a guilty plea to breaches of health and safety legislation. The case arose following an incident in 2017 at a premises in Co. Kerry. A person, not an employee of the defendant, fell down a lift shaft while carrying out work at the premises. The subsequent investigation determined that there was no interlocking devices preventing the opening of the doors to the lift shaft when the lift car was not present.

<http://bit.ly/3YOzc8j>

### **Farmer sues mart over bull injury**

A farmer suing a mart over alleged injuries to his shin caused by a bull has been ordered by a court to provide the mart with his medical records for five months after the alleged accident. The plaintiff has argued that the court should only see the medical records from after the alleged incident and was happy to disclose all of his pre-accident medical records. The judge said that these records provide the best evidence of the plaintiff's medical condition after the accident and may address which of his complaints relate to the accident and which relate to other medical issues. While the mart was initially seeking discovery of records with no time limit, it subsequently sought post-accident medical records for only five months and the judge granted discovery for this period.

<http://bit.ly/3kfpSv3>

### **Cork company to be sentenced for fatal incident**

A company operating a timber yard will be penalised later in February following evidence at a sentencing hearing in respect of a fatal incident in 2019 in which one of their most experienced employees lost his life. The company pleaded guilty to charges under health and safety legislation. CCTV of the fatal incident showed the heavy machine - a front loader which loads logs at the mill - unfortunately colliding with the deceased employee. The judge said there was a lot to consider in the case and adjourned sentencing until late February.

<http://bit.ly/3XPiuV0>

### **Guilty plea to entered following farm death**

A man has pleaded guilty to two health and safety breaches concerning a fatal farm accident which claimed the life of a farmer two years ago. He pleaded guilty to failing to ensure that in the course of work, individuals were not exposed to risk to their safety, health and welfare on the date of the fatal accident. He also pleaded guilty to a separate health and safety breach where he failed to ensure that adequate precautions were take at the excavation site to guard against dangers to persons at work from a fall or a dislodgement of earth. As a consequence, the farmer suffered fatal injuries. The case has been adjourned until March to fix a date for sentencing.

<http://bit.ly/3KuVkAg>

## **INQUESTS**

**Inquest held into death of equestrian star**

A rising young star of Irish equestrian sport suffered a fatal injury at a horse-riding centre in Dublin after her horse landed on her after stumbling at a water jump obstacle, an inquest has heard. A sitting of the Coroner's Court heard that the 15-year-old girl had suffered catastrophic blunt trauma injuries to her abdomen and liver. The death had been referred to the HSA but it had no remit as the teenager was not an employee of the riding centre. The court returned a verdict of accidental death.

<http://bit.ly/3lusBce>

### **Date set for inquest into death of coast guard volunteer**

A coroner's inquest hearing has been confirmed into the death of Irish Coast Guard volunteer and mother-of-two Catriona Lucas more than six years after her death. The Coroner's Office has confirmed that the inquest would take place on 12 April 2023. Ms. Lucas lost her life during a search operation in Co. Clare in 2016. Ms. Lucas was the first Irish Coast Guard volunteer to lose their life during active service and her death prompted two separate State Investigations.

<http://bit.ly/3ImEpx0>

### **Parents' criticise delay of inquest into son's workplace death**

The family of a young man who was killed in a workplace incident at a waste recycling facility in Dublin in 2021 has criticised the time being taken to investigate his death. The 23-year-old was killed as a result of injuries he sustained in an incident involving a forklift truck at the waste recycling plant. Counsel for the deceased man's parents told a sitting of the Coroner's Court that they were very concerned about the ongoing delays in the case and said that their grief is being compounded by the delay.

<https://bit.ly/3SnhJRQ>

## **STATISTICS**

Five people have been killed in workplace accidents since 1 January 2023 - Correct at 10 February 2023. Source: [www.hsa.ie](http://www.hsa.ie)

<http://bit.ly/34bJFyp>

## **SAFETY ALERTS**

**Exposure to dactyl vapour in food and drink manufacture**

The Health and Safety Executive (UK) has issued the following safety alert for the attention of employers and the self employed in food and drink manufacture who use diacetyl. Exposure to vapour from diacetyl, often used as a flavouring and a by-product of coffee roasting, can lead to severe and irreversible lung disease. This risk alert outlines the risks involved and the actions required.

<https://bit.ly/3KvfauZ>

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Can digital monitoring systems redefine H&S?**

Two new reports from the EU-OSHA explore the challenges and opportunities of smart digital monitoring systems for OSH. One report delves into the types, purposes and uses of digital monitoring systems. The second presents best practice examples to successfully integrate new monitoring systems at the workplace.

<http://bit.ly/3IGqsZI>

## **RESEARCH/STUDIES**

### **Working Time and Work-Life Balance Around the World**

The International Labour Organization (ILO) has recently published *Working Time and Work-Life Balance Around the World report* that looks at the two main aspects of working time: working hours and working time arrangements and the effects of both on business performance and workers' work-life balance.

Covering the periods before and during COVID-19, the study found that a substantial portion of the global workforce are working either long or short hours when compared to a standard eight-hour day/40 hour working week.

<http://bit.ly/41esMkb>

### **Working conditions in the time of COVID-19 - report**

Between March and November 2021, over 70,000 interviews were carried out in 36 countries by the European Working Conditions Telephone Survey (EWCTS), a high-quality probability-based survey. The subsequent report documents the working conditions of Europeans in 2021. From this analysis, the report aims to derive lessons for the future, particularly in relation to the enduring marks on how we work and the implications for work organisation, the quality of work, and the interaction between work and private life.

<http://bit.ly/41hFBKy>

## **GUIDANCE**

### **Legal advice for a farm employee concerned about H&S**

This article offers legal advice to a farm employee who is concerned about safety on the family farm where he works. Since two employees recently left they are understaffed and as it is the busiest time of the year, he is concerned that corners are being cut regarding safety.

<http://bit.ly/3ltx7Yt>

## **RESOURCES**

### **New generic Online Risk Assessment tool**

Imagine any enterprise empowered to assess safety and health risks in a quick and easy way - a newly released generic Online interactive Risk Assessment (OiRA) tool offers this opportunity for free. It can help businesses, no matter what the activity sector, build a robust preventive action plan to maintain a safe and healthy working environment for its employees.

<http://bit.ly/3xI98PX>

### **New indicators and functionalities in OSH Barometer tool**

It is easier than ever to navigate the EU-OSHA's OSH Barometer data visualisation tool for the state of occupational safety and health (OSH) in Europe. Major OSH indicators are now split up and grouped by "Accidents, diseases and wellbeing" and "Working conditions and prevention". The new indicator on work-related diseases gives the latest international estimates of the impact of work on major groups of diseases for the EU-27. The revamped tool now also offers information on regulation and international organisations and programmes dealing with OSH.

<https://bit.ly/3IEQu1G>

### **E-guide to managing stress and psychosocial risks**

This e-guide from the EU-OSHA is designed to respond to the needs of employers and people working in small enterprises, who are starting to approach psychosocial risks in the workplace, and who need to guide guidance on first steps.

<http://bit.ly/3xMWWhc>

## **Psychological Hazards and Stress at Work**

Psychological hazards and stress at work can have a huge impact on employee wellbeing, as well as on the workplace. This short course from the HSA will help you understand these hazards and stresses, and develop coping strategies to help you.

<https://bit.ly/3xGlatr>

## **SAFETY COMMENTARY/OPINION**

### **Menopause is a workplace issue**

An Garda Síochána recently published a menopause guidance document to support women serving in its ranks. It offers support to supervisors and colleagues of those experiencing menopause and highlights the resources available. This article acknowledges that employers are starting to see the importance of a shift in culture when it comes to menopause and gives an overview of menopause in terms of health and safety, discrimination, legislation and statutory protection.

<http://bit.ly/3xNcH7C>

### **Should Jeremy Clarkson apologise over his disregard for farm safety?**

In this editorial, the writer responds to an episode of a farming show presented by TV personality Jeremy Clarkson and asks whether Clarkson's attitude to farm safety, which leaves a lot to be desired, is indicative of attitudes to safety on farms?

<http://bit.ly/3IMP24r>

### **Reframing wellbeing as part of the safety framework**

It is a common debate - should workplace wellbeing sit with HR or H&S? In this article, a health and safety professional discusses her initial resistance to having responsibility for wellbeing and how she now welcomes it as part of the safety framework.

<http://bit.ly/3lqTptN>

## **PUBLIC ENQUIRY**

### **ECHA consultation on creosote and creosote-related substances**

The European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) has launched a public consultation on a proposed restriction on creosote and creosote-related substances. The

proposal is to restrict the placing on the market, re-use and secondary use of wood treated with creosote or creosote-related substances.

<http://bit.ly/3INeolr>

### **Call for evidence on presence of CMR substances in childcare articles**

To protect children, the European Commission is planning to prepare a REACH restriction proposal on carcinogenic, mutagenic and reprotoxic (CMR) substances in childcare articles. The European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) is helping by preparing an investigation report and has launched a call for evidence on the presence of CMR substances in childcare articles. Comments should be provided by 31 March 2023.

<http://bit.ly/3Zqzapn>

## **SAFETY IN VIDEOS**

### **Safety in Welding**

The Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland (HSENI), working with industry professionals, has produced a series of six video presentations outlining the risks involved with welding and the controls that should be in place to protect workers.

<http://bit.ly/41IQ4E>

### **Unsafe Towing Video**

This 34-second video produced by the Road Safety Commission of Australia about towing a caravan aptly demonstrates what happens with poor weight distribution. It's a good clip to start a toolbox talk no matter what you are towing.

<http://bit.ly/3Yb3tgt>

## **SAFETY PODCASTS**

### **Bullying is “rife” within the health service in Ireland**

A senior clinical therapy manager discusses bullying in the health service in Ireland.

<https://bit.ly/3YQCDe8>

## **MCIB REPORTS**



Report of an investigation into an incident involving two passenger ferries engaged in a close quarter incident at Rosslare Harbour, Co. Wexford, by the Marine Casualty Investigation Board.

<https://bit.ly/3SIXdRs>

## **NISO TRAINING AND EVENTS**

### **CPD Certificates in Safety Management at Work (Certified by Technological University Dublin)**

**Hybrid - NISO Training Centre, Dublin 12 and/or Online**

**CPD Certificate: Workplace Safety Manager I;** 27 January - 3 March 2023 [BOOK NOW](#)

**CPD Certificate: Accident Investigation;** 24 - 28 April 2023 [BOOK NOW](#)

**CPD Certificate: Fire Safety Manager I;** 15 - 19 May 2023 [BOOK NOW](#)

**CPD Certificate: Fire Safety Manager II;** 26 - 30 June 2023 [BOOK NOW](#)

### **Training scheduled at NISO Training Centre, Dublin 12 AND/OR Online**

[DSE-VDU Risk Assessor Course](#) (Online); NISO Certificate (1 day); 14 March; 13 April [BOOK NOW](#)

[Safety Representation](#) (Online); NISO Certificate (2 day); 22 - 23 March [BOOK NOW](#)

[Manual Handling Basic](#) NISO Certificate (half day); 24 March; 21 April [BOOK NOW](#)

[Mobile & Home Working Assessor](#) (HYBRID); NISO Certificate (1 day); Dates TBC

[Safe Pass](#); SOLAS (1 day); January 2023 dates TBC

### **All Ireland Safety Quiz**

**Upcoming Regional Heats 2023** [BOOK NOW](#)

**North West Region:** Clayton Hotel, Clarion Road, Sligo; 2 March 2023

**North East Region:** Errigal County House Hotel, Cootehill, Co. Cavan; 8 March 2023

**South Region:** Radisson Blu Hotel & Spa, Little Island, Cork; 8 March 2023

**East Region:** Hotel Riu Plaza The Gresham Dublin; 9 March 2023

**South East Region:** Viking Hotel Waterford, Cork Road, Waterford; 9 March 2023

**Midland Region:** Bridge House Hotel, Tullamore, Co. Offaly; 14 March 2023

**Mid West Region:** Greenhills Hotel, Ennis Road, Limerick; 23 March 2023

**West Region:** Oranmore Lodge Hotel, Oranmore, Co. Galway; 9 February 2023 [Held]

### **All Ireland Safety Awards**

**Online Safety Awards Workshop;** Friday, 3 March 2023; 9:15 – 10:45hrs. [REGISTER HERE](#)

### **NISO Certificate in Safety, Health and Welfare at Work**

(13 weeks / 2 hours per week) [BOOK NOW](#)

**TUS Athlone:** Technological University of the Shannon: Commenced 13 February 2023

Dublin / Online: Commenced 21 February 2023

### Health & Safety Webinars (Free)

Open for bookings soon at [niso.ie/shop](https://niso.ie/shop)

**Bow Tie Analysis;** 11.00hrs; 10 March 2023

**Trigger Thumb;** 11.00hrs; 31 March 2023

**Production v Protection;** 11.00hrs; 5 May 2023

**Errors, Mistakes and Violations;** 11.00hrs; 26 May 2023

**Plan - Do - Check - Act;** 11.00hrs; 30 June 2023

### National Events

**Annual NISO AGM;** Radisson Blu Hotel & Spa, Sligo; 1 April 2023

**All Ireland Safety Quiz Finals;** Radisson Blu Hotel & Spa, Sligo; 1 April 2023

**NISO Annual Safety Conference;** The Great Southern, Killarney, Co. Kerry; 13 October 2023

**NISO/NISO Safety Awards Ceremony;** The Great Southern, Killarney, Co. Kerry; 13 October 2023

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