

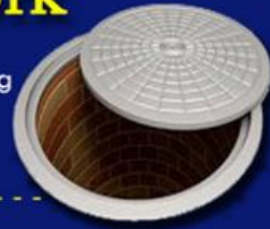


Confined Space Safety



Safety Precautions For **Confined Space Work**

Confined spaces remain one of the most hazardous work environments today, still claiming lives each year. It is critical that operatives in these areas are adequately trained on procedures and equipment that is designed to make this work as safe as possible.



Confined Space Work Statistics



5 Million

Workers enter confined spaces each day



15,900

Are injured in confined space accidents.



5 People

On average die in confined spaces every year In **UK**.



2 People

are die every month.

Here are some precautionary measures to avoid accidents:

Avoid Entering Confined Spaces

You need to check if the work can be done another way so that entry to or work in confined spaces is avoided.

Appointment Of A Supervisor

Supervisors should be given responsibility to make sure that the necessary precautions are taken, to check safety at each stage.

Isolation

If gas, fume or vapour could enter the confined space, you need to isolate the pipe work.

Cleaning Before Entry

This may be necessary to ensure fumes do not develop from residues etc while the work is done.

Testing The Air

Testing the air may be necessary to check that it is free from both toxic & flammable vapours and that it is fit to breathe.

Safe system of work

If entry to a confined space is unavoidable, a safe system for working inside the space should be developed.

Provision Of Breathing Apparatus

Breathing apparatus is essential if the air inside the space cannot be made fit to breathe because of gas, fume or vapour present, or lack of oxygen.



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