



SAFE SYSTEMS OF WORK

South West Concrete Repairs Ltd has developed a two tier system in respect of safe systems of work (method statements).

PROJECT METHOD STATEMENT (LEVEL 1)

Each project has a risk assessment carried out to identify potential hazards. A systematic approach is used to eliminate wherever possible the identified hazards i.e. change the product or method. When a hazard cannot be eliminated a safe system to reduce the risk to an acceptable level is devised. These measures are written into the method statement and issued as part of that document.

SAFE SYSTEMS OF WORK (LEVEL 2)

As many tasks are the same on every project the company has carried out risk assessments on individual tasks. Each hazard has been addressed and a written safe system compiled. These safe systems where applicable are added to the level 1 method statement to give a complete document.

IMPLEMENTATION

An induction training session is instigated on each project to familiarise operatives with the hazards involved and the safe systems to be adopted. Copies of the method statement are held on site for reference by operatives and if necessary safe system detail sheets are issued to operatives for inclusion in their own safety notes.

MONITORING

Daily site inspections are carried out to ensure correct methods and systems are being used and periodic (depending on the size and duration of the contract) are carried out to further monitor compliance.

SAFE SYSTEM REGISTER

The company maintains a safe system register which is split into five sections, management, siteworks, tools/machinery, operative safety, and concrete repairs. Some tasks such as scaffolding and excavations are not carried out by this company, they are either supplied by the main contractor or carried out by qualified sub-contractors. However safe systems have been compiled for our operatives detailing the safety precautions to be used whilst working in such areas.