

Standard Risk Control Arrangements

Hoists

Training and Capability

- A. Hoist operators must be over 18 years of age. They must have received ½ day training in the Safe Use of Hoists
- B. Operatives involved in this activity must receive a induction into the appropriate Risk Assessment and Method Statement applicable to the activity

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- C. Hoist operation shall be under the control of a specific method statement, including emergency procedure for breakdown
- D. All hoists shall be fitted with over run devices to prevent travel beyond safe limits
- E. All hoists shall be fitted with 2 m high landing fence and gate
- F. Hoist masts shall be tied securely to the building
- G. Hoists must be fitted with an arrestor device to support the platform in the event of failure of the hoist rope
- H. Goods hoists have to be operated with a ‘dead’ mans handle type control from one position giving the operator an unobstructed view
- I. Notices confirming the safe working load shall be displayed
- J. Notices instructing “Keep Gates Closed” shall be displayed, and inter locks shall be provided
- K. Evidence shall exist, completed by the erecting Specialist, to confirm the hoist is safe and has undergone overload and drop tests
- L. A formal weekly inspection must be recorded in the Inspection Register (SS-FM-17)
- M. Passenger hoists must be thoroughly examined at least every 6 months. Goods hoists must be thoroughly examined at least every 12 months. The erecting Specialist shall provide evidence of this
- N. ‘No Passenger’ signs shall be clearly marked at every access to a goods hoist
- O. Hoist towers are to be enclosed, to prevent falls of materials and trapping of persons
- P. No gaps shall exist between the hoist/hoist gates/scaffolding through which materials or tools can fall.
- Q. Beam hoists – loads shall be lifted over any handrail provided for fall prevention unless the load is too large then handrails may be removed provided the operator wears a harness with a fixed length lanyard

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Other Local Control Arrangements

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