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<b>Strategic Safety Systems Ltd. Newsletter</b>	
<p><b>Dear Philip,</b></p> <p>Welcome to the second March edition of our newsletter. What we aim to do is to provide information which is of use to you and to let you know the activities in which we have been involved. We also aim to let you know of any incidents that have occurred in, and legislation that is related to, the areas in which we work. We realise that, with the broad spectrum of our activities, some may not be relevant to you but we hope you find the rest useful.</p> <p>Whilst the intention of this newsletter is to be useful, we realise that most people are plagued by spam and should you wish to prevent future issues being sent to you, unsubscribe using the link at the bottom of the page.</p> <p>Regards,</p> <p>Philip Chambers Strategic Safety Systems Ltd.</p>	<p><b>IN THIS ISSUE</b></p> <p><a href="#">WASTE TRANSFER LICENCES DUE FOR RENEWAL</a></p> <p><a href="#">CHANGES TO FIRST AID TRAINING</a></p> <p><a href="#">REMOVAL OF SIGNS CUTS ACCIDENTS</a></p> <p><a href="#">INCIDENTS AND COURT CASES FOR AMUSEMENT (or maybe not)</a></p> <p><b>QUICK LINKS</b></p> <p><a href="#">Our website</a> <a href="#">More about INTACT</a> <a href="#">Health, safety, environmental support</a></p>

## Waste transfer licences due for renewal

Don't forget to review  
Waste Transfer Licences

Some have just changed,  
others about to change

Those of you with certification to ISO 14001 will need to get new copies of waste transfer licences from the companies you use.  
For example:

J&G Environmental's licence was updated 22nd February 2013. [Download](#).  
Biffa's licence is due on 23rd May 2013.

[See about SSS systems and support for ISO 14001.](#)

## Changes to first aid training

As a result of the Loftstedt report, the Health and Safety (First Aid) Regulations are being changed so that the HSE no longer have to approve the training and qualifications of training providers. Whilst simplification is, in general, a good thing, this does put the onus on the employer to ensure that whomever is providing first aid training is competent. Many would argue that this is not a step forward. The anticipated date for the change is October 2013.

The link below gives guidance to employers on selecting a provider for first aid training.

[See guide for employers](#)

## Removal of signs cuts accidents

Reducing the number of roadsigns cuts accidents as drivers are less distracted. One example is Kensington High Street where accidents were reduced by 47%.

Transport Secretary Patrick McLoughlin is promoting this by having a competition that councils can enter and get recognition at a ceremony in June.

Can't help thinking that a government minister should be able to do better than have a competition.

## *Incidents and court cases*

### **Racking collapse causes death**

An accident occurred where a person was standing next to racking which was being accessed by a forklift truck. The forklift truck nudged the racking, causing it to collapse which then caused the death of that person. The racking was substandard because pins, which prevent the beams from being unhooked, were not in place. The company were fined over £100,000 (inc. costs)

There are two key issues here:

1. People should not be next to lifting or lowering operations on forklift trucks.
2. Pins must be in place. It is easy for their absence to go unnoticed, but a thorough inspection after racking erection would pick this up. In addition, a periodic check on racking condition is essential.

How can SSS help?

SSS provide both systems of work for forklift truck operations and a racking inspection service.

[See racking inspection service details](#)

[See systems of work service](#)

[See details of the accident.](#)

## *For amusement (or maybe not)*

### Was this Photoshopped?

I hope you have found this information of interest. If you have any suggestions of other information you would like to see, please [contact me](#)

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Regards,

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