



Report accidents, help save lives!

IPAF is collecting data to be able to put a figure on the total number of fatal accidents involving aerial work platforms worldwide and calling on all manufacturers, rental companies, contractors and users to report any known fatal and serious accidents involving aerial lifts worldwide and all known accidents involving them in the UK. Information entered into the database will be kept strictly confidential and will be used solely for the purposes of analysis and improving safety.

Manufacturers, rental companies and users are encouraged to report any known incidents, using the standard form that is available at www.ipaf.org/accident. All information will be kept confidential and used strictly for the purposes of analysis. Report an accident and help save a life!

Companies or individuals should go to www.ipaf.org/accident and register first in order to be able to report accidents on the database. Larger companies wishing to have multiple persons reporting accidents should appoint a nominated person (a senior person who will manage the reporting).

This person should register first in the company name. Once registered, the nominated person will be able to give others within their company access to report accidents relating to that company. Companies will also be able to exclusively view their own accident data and thus manage their records through the IPAF database. and near misses



IT apprentice for IPAF

IPAF is sponsoring one of its employees, Nicola Dixon from the training administration team, to pursue a Level 3 Diploma in Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Professional Competence at Kendal College, in the vicinity of IPAF's head office in Cumbria. The course lasts 18 months with Dixon spending a day each week attending classes, in addition to her day-to-day duties.

She will provide support to IPAF members and training centres using the online training system and serve as the first point of contact for troubleshooting IPAF's internal systems. Another of her tasks will be to



provide technical advice and guidance on the IT-related aspects of IPAF's services, such as online verifications for PAL Cards and the accident reporting database.

IPAF focus

Street art and "Spread the load" campaign hub at Intermat

IPAF is taking its "Spread the load" safety campaign to Intermat with a unique combination of creativity and safety. Over the six exhibition days from 16th to 21st April, a large piece of street art dedicated to the theme of safety will be created. The



artists working on the painting hold IPAF Powered Access Licences and are trained to use access platforms safely and effectively. Visit IPAF in the Outdoor Area E2, Stand B064 to view this symbiosis of theme and performance, a work of art completed in absolute safety at height.

The IPAF spider tent will serve as the "Spread the load" campaign hub, with the spreader plate demonstration set, film material and presentations of a new conversion tool. Seminars will be run on 17th and 19th April to illustrate the importance of knowing the weight of a machine and how the load bearing changes when the machine moves to different configurations. The point to remember: always check ground conditions before starting work.



IPAF members save on courier deliveries with TNT

IPAF members who have used the discount rate offered to IPAF by courier company TNT are benefiting from significant savings. One happy member who has used the service is Mandy Reid, managing director of Kent based Kingfisher Access.

"I am always dubious of targeted discounts and have often found that I could negotiate better ones myself," said Reid. "TNT has though been brilliant. We save huge percentages on our previous courier, but it has also surpassed them on quality of service and friendly staff. So thanks to IPAF for this service!"

IPAF members in the UK can benefit from the introductory 50 percent discount rate, which is only guaranteed for six months, after which it will depend on the volume of deliveries made by IPAF and its members. The more members use the service, the better the chance that all will continue to benefit from the discount.

Details are at the Services/Member Benefits section of www.ipaf.org

More than 400 people are expected at the International **Awards for Powered Access and** IPAF Summit in Rome, Italy on 29 March, just as this magazine goes to press.



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Order rental market reports now

IPAF is in the final stages of its annual research into the rental market. The results will be published in the IPAF European Powered Access Rental Market Report 2012 and the IPAF US Powered Access Rental Market Report 2012.

The reports build on the success of previous years' reports examining the size and state of the powered access rental business. The 2012 reports will be ready to order in April.

The research is being conducted on behalf of IPAF by Ducker Worldwide, order at www.ipaf.org/reports