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ELECTROCUTION TOPS IPAF FATALITY DATA

IPAF has published its Global Safety Report 2026, which identifies electrocution and electric shock as the leading cause of fatal and major injury incidents involving aerial work platforms in 2025.

The federation logged 170 reports of fatal or major incidents last year, down 15 percent on the 201 received in 2024, with 76 fatalities, down 24 percent from 100. Reports came from 25 countries and involved 192 people, nine percent fewer than the previous year.

Electrocution and electric shock accounted for 28 of these reports from six countries, involving 20 deaths, with 71 percent of those reports coming from the United States. Falls from a work platform and overturns were the next most frequent causes.

The construction industry accounted for 37 percent of the reported incidents, followed by tree care and rental activity on 13 percent each. Self-propelled boom lifts - IPAF category 3b - were involved in 26 percent of incidents and self-propelled scissors/vertical lifts - category 3a - in 25 percent.

Reports involving mast climbing work platforms and construction hoists tripled, with fatalities in that category rising from one to eight. Deaths attributed to being struck by a vehicle or machine rose 125 percent, while entrapment and overturn reports both fell by more than half.

Brian Parker, head of safety and technical said: "Every reported incident provides valuable learning, and the data highlights where our attention must remain firmly fixed - particularly around electrocutions, falls from the platform, overturns, and the emerging increase in incidents involving mast climbers and construction hoists."

The report draws on incidents submitted voluntarily to IPAF's global accident reporting portal between 2016 and 2025, so the figures reflect reported incidents rather than the total worldwide. It is available at <http://www.ipaf.org/accident>

PAINT SCHEME REACHES £10,000

IPAF's cancer charity, The Powered Access Industry Trust - PAINT - has raised more than £10,000 for cancer research since its launch last year.

The initiative was set up in partnership with Weston Park Cancer Charity to raise money to fund research at the Weston Park Cancer Clinical Trials Centre in Sheffield, which gives patients access to new cancer treatments as part of its trials.

IPAF members can take part by nominating a machine in their fleet as a 'PAINT machine' and donating a proportion of its rental income. Companies can also contribute from other revenue, such as training income, or make a direct donation.

To learn more or get involved go to: <http://ipafpaint.raisesite.com>



WORKING AT HEIGHT AWARDS SHORTLIST

IPAF has released the shortlist for its annual Working at Height Awards 2026, which will be presented on the 29th October in Orlando, Florida, following the Working at Height Conference earlier that day. Entries across six categories have been assessed by a panel of judges comprising Tom Smith of National Lift Truck, Matthew Eckstine of Eckstine, Cory Rohs of 3-E Safety Services, and Peter Douglas of IPAF.

The categories are:

Safety Innovation - Original Equipment Manufacturers/Suppliers

- DICA - LevelRight Adjustable Outrigger Pads
- Skyjack - LanyardGO
- The Franklin Safety Group - The Franklin Stabilizer Safety System
- Trackunit - IrisX platform

Safety and Culture Leadership Excellence - Rental

- National Lift Truck
- Sunbelt Rentals

Technology Innovation

- JLG - Visual Remote Assistant
- Kask America - Zenith X2 full brim
- Skyjack - Skyprotect & Skyprotect+
- Tracked Lifts (in collaboration with Platform Basket) - Platform Basket Spider 30.14
- United Rentals - United Rentals' Equipment Agent

New Product Award - Scissor Lifts

- Haulotte - 63ft Haulotte HS6395 E Pro
- JLG - JLG's micro scissor lifts
- MEC - 19ft Micro 19-XD+
- Skyjack - 32ft SJ3232 E electric drive scissor lift

New Product Award - Boom Lifts

- JLG - 60ft 600AJ+ and 86ft 860SJ+ boom lifts
- Manitou - 40m/8000kg MRT 4080 360 degree telehandler with man basket attachment
- Niftylift - 33ft SP34N self-propelled boom
- Skyjack - 45ft SJ45 AJN and SJ45 ARJN electric booms
- SOS Equipment (in collaboration with Multitel) - 27m MTE270EX truck mounted platform

New Product Award - Atrium/Compact Crawlers

- CMC North America - 27m CMC 90i
- Palazzani - 52m XTJ 170+ ECO
- Tracked Lifts - 30m Platform Basket Spider 30.14

