

Road to Zero Harm

- 18 months into the new MPA 65% 5 year hard target reduction (direct employees), MPA members remain on target for their annual LTIFR figures. This after having achieved (and slightly bettered) the previous 50% reduction 5 year hard target. The same new 65% hard target reduction also applies to contractors, currently on track. MPA data now records definitions of Total Recordable Injuries and Medical Treatment Cases.
- Competence within all aspects of the mineral products industry, quantified via QCFs etc., ranges from ‘Quarries’ at 85% Managers and 75% operatives, ‘Non Quarries Regs’ for Managers and Operatives now at *circa* 50% across all sectors. Further work now to focus on ‘Non QR’ Competence.
- MPA’s vibrant Health & Safety Committee operates 11 H&S working groups. In total, these involve 50 member companies and 85 individuals. Each WG has a 5 year action plan and key objectives. The WGs are:
 - i. **Occupational Health & Wellbeing** (new Mineral Products Industry guidance in final draft)
 - ii. **Plant & Processes**
 - iii. **Marine**
 - iv. **‘Safer by Leadership’** (using IOSH ‘Leading Safely’ framework with MPA content)
 - v. **‘Safer by Partnership’** (focusing on management and involvement of Contractors)
 - vi. **Bitumen**
 - vii. **Transport/Road Hauliers**
 - viii. **Lime**
 - ix. **Cement**
 - x. **Contract Surfacing and Asphalt**
 - xi. **Health and Safety Performance & Reporting**
- MPA’s National Contractor Database now has 3500 Contractors and over 5500 contractor client relationships
- New MPA Safety Campaigns on slips trips and falls; isolation of plant; both with posters, leaflets, videos, guidance and inspection criteria.
- New ‘Safer by Association’ audit and route map focusing on ‘Respirable Crystalline Silica’ to be launched in November 2015.
- Safequarry.com and Safequarry App continue to grow: 113 countries & 20,000 users last year!
- ‘Stay Safe’ campaign now focusing on drowning prevention and regional drowning prevention groups alongside RoSPA, Chief Fire Officers, RLSS, RNLI, Local Authorities, HM Coastguard, Police Forces. This year’s campaign on the dangers from Coldwater Shock a great success! All schools identified within high risk areas e.g. schools close to quarries 1 to 2 miles were sent a letter and leaflet with links to information (>1000 UK wide). We also involved national news reporting and through Fun Kids Radio utilising a character called Charlie Crow to get the message across. Safety signage redesigned and launched to increase impact on public.