



## Material Storage at Height

There have been instances across Morgan Sindall Construction recently where materials stored at height have become unstable and either fallen or been blown off high level areas falling some considerable distance to ground level.

Although no injuries have been sustained, all the incidents could have had catastrophic consequences if people were in the drop zone.

### Learning points:

Please ensure the following measures are considered before arranging storage of materials at height.

- Plan works so that materials are stored at ground level until such time as they are ready to be installed.
- If materials have to be stored at height, ensure they are secured at all times.
- Review weather forecasts to make extra provisions for windy periods.
- Suitable exclusion zones, taking angles of deflection into account, are created under areas where materials are to be handled. Exclusion zones must have a physical barriers and be clearly signed.
- Consider the installation of additional controls such as protective fans, netting or tunnels if a risk still remains

Further information on exclusion zones and collective measures is available within [SHE GUID 13 - Manager's Guide - Dropped Objects](#)



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