



HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY

Midland Steel Supplies Ltd recognises and accepts its responsibility to provide a safe and healthy working environment for all its employees, contractors and visitors who use its premises and sites in order to prevent injury and ill health, in accordance with the Safety, Health & Welfare at Work Act, 2005 and its associated regulations.

Midland Steel Supplies Ltd approach to Health and Safety is based on the key clauses of BS OHSAS18001:2007 whereby emphasis is placed on:

- 4.2 OH&S Policy;
- 4.3 Planning;
- 4.4 Implementation and Operation;
- 4.5 Checking and
- 4.6 Management Review.

Midland Steel Supplies Ltd recognises the need to focus on continual improvement of its OH&S management and performance. Our aim is to encourage a positive health and safety culture. To ensure this is achieved occupational health and safety is actively promoted throughout the organisation through the provision of information, training, instruction and supervision. Midland Steel Supplies Ltd operates a 'low blame' culture whereby employees are openly encouraged to report hazards, including near misses, without fear of reprisal to ensure the root causes of accidents are identified thus enabling measures to be put in place to eliminate recurrence. Emphasis is placed on effective management ensuring a systematic approach to the identification of risks and the allocation of financial and physical resources to control them.

In order to deliver these responsibilities Midland Steel Supplies Ltd undertakes to:

- Maintain a safe and healthy place of work with safe access and egress;
- Provide adequate welfare facilities;
- Ensure that risk assessments are being carried out on an on-going basis with employees participating in the risk assessment process. Assessments will cover Midland Steel Supplies Ltd undertakings and will assist in the identification of hazards and the setting of prioritised objectives for elimination and reduction of risk;
- Provide sufficient information, instruction, training and supervision to enable employees to avoid hazards and to contribute positively to the health and safety of themselves and others whilst at work;
- Consult with employees on issues relating to OH&S;
- Ensure access to competent health and safety advice;
- Provide plant, equipment and systems of work which are safe and without risks to health;
- Ensure safe arrangements for the use, handling, storage and transport of articles and substances;
- Ensure compliance with all relevant safety legislation, regulations, codes of practice and other requirements for the effective planning, organisation, control, monitoring and review of preventative and protective measures; and
- Commit to reporting OH&S performance within its annual report.

The Managing Director (MD) takes overall responsibility for Health and Safety including the formulation, development and implementation of the Health and Safety Policy within Midland Steel Supplies Ltd and requires the co-operation and support of all managers, employees, contractors and visitors in its implementation. The (MD) will ensure that the Policy is reviewed on a continual basis, to ensure that it remains relevant and appropriate to the organisation. These reviews will include changes to legislation; changes in the business and changes in the scope of works. This Policy will be communicated to all persons working under the control of the organisation and will be made available to interested parties on request.

Signed

Tony Woods



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