

Remaining vigilant in extreme weather conditions

Within the Industrial and Infrastructure Sector of Projects we have had an incident today where one of our operatives has been hit by a large falling icicle, on the back of his head. This icicle has fallen some 25 ft and as you can see from the attached picture these are of a considerable size. The operative involved was wearing a safety helmet at the time and without it this would have ended up as more serious accident.

As well as the usual risks and hazards caused but ice and snow, please ensure that all our people are warned of these dangers and are aware of the hazards of falling ice and accumulated snow from above for all the premises and buildings we are involved with.

If any of your operatives are working near or under buildings , they must be vigilant and check their work faces thoroughly to include a check above them. Any areas of concern must be brought to the attention of supervisors and line management immediately.

