

Simple Safety Series



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- 4 Mark spills and wet areas immediately.
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Simple Safety Sheet





How to use sheets?

Ensure that sheet is relevant Points are listed by priority go through points in order Confirm employees understand Ensure each sheet is signed off Sheets can be used as posters



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Briefing Aim

To support Simple Safety sheets To outline slips, trips and falls in the Retail sector

To provide more information



1 Keep floors etc. clear

- Keep floors and access routes clear
- ~ 75% of all tripping accidents are caused by obstructions
- Do not block storage areas/staff welfare areas with stock, equipment etc.

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High risk of tripping in areas HEALTH AND SAFE ensure lighting is OK

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2 Don't create hazards

- Do not create potential slip/trip hazards for others e.g.
 - plastic band from outside of boxes left on floor,
 - do not stock shelves whilst leaving stock untidily on the retail floor do not leave trolleys in walkways etc.



3 Don't let waste build up

Especially in the canteen and storage areas

e.g. overflowing bins that required emptying, letting stock build up beside compactor units etc





4 Mark spills

Mark spills and wet areas immediately

Remain standing at the area and call for a colleague to retrieve the cleaning equipment and wet floor sign





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5 Report problems

Report trailing cables, uneven walkways or poor lighting Report poor lighting (often broken bulbs), e.g. in large storage areas/ warehouses Report trailing cables Report uneven walkways in outside yard

6 Remove loose objects

- Report or remove loose objects on walkways
- Remove loose mats/carpets, e.g. edge of mat turned up at main entrances.
- Deal with simple issues where you can safely do so



7 Don't run



Don't run **and pay attention to where you are going** Organise properly for busy periods Allow sufficient time for actions required

Plan properly

Have a contingency plan if busier than expected



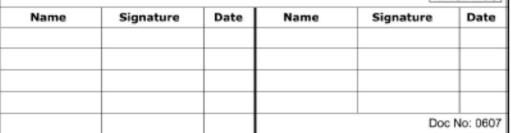
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This is the end of the training Put the simple steps into use



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Remember: if it doesn't seem safe it probably isn't



Topics in this series

- Retail Manual Handling
- Retail Slips, Trips & Falls
- Retail Cuts
- Retail Falling Objects
- Retail Falling from a Height



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