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renewable industry safety exchange

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Are you missing the opportunity for vital safety learning? Has your organisation signed up yet?
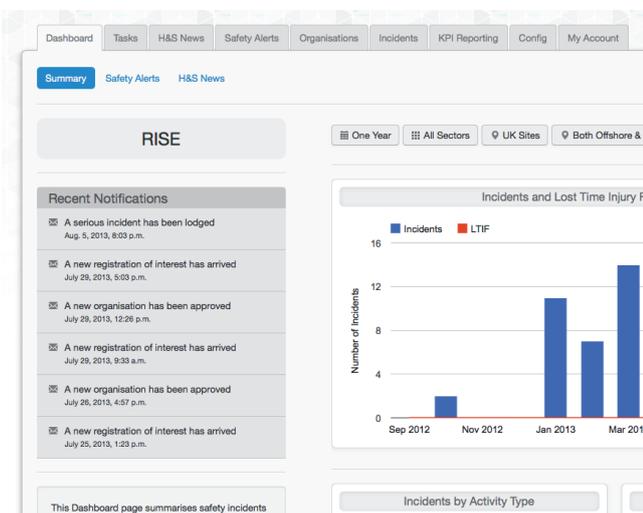
What is RISE?

RISE is the industry led health and safety incident and information website aimed at all businesses operating in the renewable energy supply chain[1]. It has been designed by and on behalf of any business who has employees working in the sector. It has been developed with the objectives to:

- Build on the knowledge gained from the previous "Lessons Learned" Scheme.
- Enable the collation and benchmarking of reliable industry safety statistics that are not available anywhere else[2].
- Provide a secure platform to share industry learning including the dissemination of safety alerts and bulletins, news and industry updates.
- Allow the industry to develop and share proactive KPI's and targeted industry learning to enable and support cross industry and technology safety improvements.
- Provide enhanced confidence to key stakeholders (e.g. regulators, clients, financiers, insurers etc.) on the sector's ability to manage H&S risk.

What are the benefits?

The key benefits you get will correlate with what you put in. The wider the participation and engagement in RISE, the greater the value that will be gained by everyone. Just a few of the benefits include:

- Ability to manage your own accident, incident and near-miss data both for your own company and also for specific projects.
- A single site to manage and collate contractor incident data.
- A "Real Time" live resource, constantly updated with data.
- A benchmarking facility for your own business and projects with your industry peers.
- Targeted news and industry information often not available elsewhere.
- Access to free 24/7 initial legal support.
- Access to relevant safety alerts and bulletins.
- Ability to export your data easily to manipulate and produce your own tailored reports.
- Web based, cloud hosted hence no software to download with easy to use, intuitive web forms.

Can we use RISE for projects outside the UK?

Yes. Revisions to RISE are now able to collate incident data from projects outside the UK - whilst retaining the ability to produce reliable UK statistics. Also, organisations based outside the UK can register and use the tool.

Is it going to be complicated and time consuming?

No. Whether you are a large or small company the system is flexible to accommodate your specific requirements. For example:

- The site uses well recognised data entry systems which are simple and intuitive to use.

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1   Primarily wind, wave and tidal technologies. Future updates may cover other technologies.
2.   UK regulators (e.g. HSE, MCA) **do not** produce sector specific statistics for renewable energy.

- Many companies/projects are already using the site as their default incident recording system - so avoiding duplicating a lot of work.
- Large companies with existing systems can use the freely available spread sheet to enable the bulk uploading of data - with the further option to develop bespoke automated interface solutions.
- Nominated individuals, including contractors, can be registered to input data directly into the site - again reducing time and effort.

Is it secure?

Yes. The registration and access systems to RISE conform to leading IT and website security standards. All data is fully protected and backed up using global leading cloud based IT systems. Additional protections are set out in the relevant terms and conditions of the scheme.

What about the legal aspects?

RISE has been developed to enable the right balance between sharing incident data and the imperative to protect individuals and companies to be achieved. In addition to the terms and conditions for using RISE, the scheme has been designed to provide enhanced protections and support to minimise potential concerns or queries. Examples include:

- Access to the site and data entry only by registered users authorised by participating company.
- Key prompts and reminders to help users in making entries.
- Default data entry of only the incident key facts with options to add suggested learning.
- Flexibility to amend and update any entries at any time.

All scheme registrants will also have access to free 24/7 initial legal support. Further details on request.

What does it cost?

Nothing. The scheme has the significant support of the RenewableUK Board - it is seen that the collective benefits and interests of the whole sector are too important to charge industry participants.

Is it easy to register?

Yes - it's simple. You only need 4 key things to register.

1. An initial contact name and e-mail. (You can change and add contact names after registering)
2. Name of the company/business
3. Your main business activity in renewables
4. The number of employees[3] or total annualised hours worked.

Is there anything I can do to support RISE?

Yes. While the scheme has the unambiguous support from the RenewableUK Board and safety professionals, its success relies on as wide an uptake as possible. The immediate action is to register with RISE and start using the scheme. However we would also encourage you to:

- Talk to your contracting and supply chain partners and encourage them to get involved.
- Discuss RISE with your senior management to explain the benefits and opportunities.
- Use RISE to encourage engagement with employees and contractors on incident reporting.
- Attend yourself or encourage colleagues to attend future workshops and events on RISE.

Need more information?

We will be running further workshops and awareness sessions over coming months. Watch out for details.

For any other queries please contact Chris Streatfeild. We always welcome feedback about how we can improve the site and your user experience as part of our ongoing maintenance of the system - just let us know what you think. So get involved and get registered with RISE.

RISE: Embracing Safety in Renewables

To register go to: **www.renewablesafety.org**

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3   Full time equivalent (FTE) working in renewables.