

BEST PRACTICE

LOCATION:	All sites	ARTICLE YEAR:	2004
ACTIVITY:	Competence Assurance	COMPANY:	Tarmac Central
SUB ACTIVITY:	N/A	COMPANY LOCATION:	Not applicable
BEST PRACTICE No:	BP92	COMPANY TEL:	01260 223477

TITLE

Task auditing

ARTICLE

In-depth analyses of accidents led Tarmac to deduce that a remarkably high percentage of injuries in the quarrying industry are due to unsafe acts, rather than unsafe conditions. This reality spurred Tarmac into developing a management task auditing system for its Area 3 business, which is incorporated into a safety, health and environment strategy. The key steps are:

- L stop and observe work activity
- L put operatives at ease by introduction and explanation of the process
- L ask about the work that is being done and the stages involved
- L ask what is the worst that could happen and how this is prevented
- L praise safe behaviour
- L question unsafe behaviour
- L discuss corrective action required
- L gain commitment to act.

ARTICLE IMAGES