

Mineral Products Association Members' Direct

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The trade association for the aggregates, asphalt, cement, concrete, dimension stone, lime, mortar and industrial sand industries.



MPA Health and Safety Awards 2024 30th April Deadline Approaching Fast - Enter Now

Members and others working with them across all MPA Product Groups, are invited to enter the MPA Health & Safety Awards 2024.

Watch this [video](#) to find out why you should enter and please share it with others in your company.

Find out how those who entered last year have benefited [here](#).

The Awards will be presented at a prestigious online MPA Health & Safety event on Wednesday 13 November, which will showcase the steps which the industry is taking to move closer to the achievement of '[Vision Zero](#)'.


Please submit your entries for these internationally renowned awards and play a pivotal role in preventing serious injuries and fatalities within the mineral products industry.

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Enabling us to learn about and share the innovations and good practice that members have pioneered, the Awards also provide a unique opportunity for members to recognise and celebrate the vital role that individuals – their staff, including young leaders – have played in achieving a safer and healthier work environment.


MPA welcomes entries to the 8 Topics from organisations, large or small, and which may be members or non-members of the MPA but operating in the product sector represented by MPA. This might include operators, contractors, suppliers, other service providers or organisations that represent companies or individuals working in the sector. Entries must relate to activities based in the UK, and may be made on an individual organisation or joint organisation basis.

The simple to complete entry forms and briefing notes can be downloaded from the [Safequarry website](#). The deadline for all entries is **30th April 2024**, with the exception of entries for the John Crabbe Trophy and Sir Frank Davies Award (which are open to MPA members only), which is **9th September 2024**.



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ENTRY TOPICS



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BRIEFING NOTE 2024

8 TOPIC AWARDS • EUROBITUME AWARD • 'THE FATAL 6' AWARD



ENTRIES WELCOME FROM

- All sectors within the mineral products industry
- MPA Members and Non-Members
- Operators, contractors, suppliers and service providers



Entry topics for the 2024 MPA H&S Awards

Aggregates, Asphalt, Cement, Contracting, Dimension Stone, Lime, Masonry, Mortar, Precast Concrete, Ready Mix, Recycling, Silica Sand and Transport

Please review these topics and consider under which topic your entry should be submitted. The short descriptions provide an indication of type of activities or initiatives that judges would expect to see submitted under this heading. Please contact entries@mpahsawards.org should you wish to discuss your topic selection or need further advice.

Please note that all entries from **MPA Members** will automatically be entered for **The Fatal 6' Award** and **Eurobitume Award** if relevant.

- 1. Safer production**

This section covers **extraction, manufacturing and processing**. An entry that describes a new innovation, engineering solution, system, control measure, change in a process/procedure, warning system or training programme that has made manufacturing or processing safer. This covers all activities involved in creating products e.g. from preparing for blast at a quarry to the manufacture of precast products.

Note: This section would also include **investments in new plant**.
- 2. Safer maintenance and housekeeping**

An entry that covers all aspects of maintenance or housekeeping across all product groups. E.g. this category would cover safer methods of carrying out a maintenance process, cleaning or an innovation that made a maintenance process unnecessary. Note: This might include a major shutdown or refit if not placed in classifications 1 or 8.
- 3. Safer handling of inbound and outbound materials**

The unloading/delivery of materials to a site such as bitumen, chemicals, explosives, fuel, aggregates or cement and their storage.

OR

The storage of finished products and their loading for transit such as precast products.

Note: This could include **product testing**.
- 4. Safer management of pedestrians and transport on-site**

An entry that relates to the safer management of people (employees, contractors, suppliers, customers and members of the public) and vehicles on-site. This could include site inductions, traffic management, pedestrian zones and control systems around an UK member operated site.
- 5. Safer transport and logistics**

An entry that relates to improving the safety of transport from the plant to the end user/customer site. This would include training of hauliers, safety devices on vehicles, measures to improve the safety of other road users, cars, vans, rail and waterborne transport.
- 6. Safer operations at a contracting, construction or customer site**

The safe unloading, storage or handling of products at a customer/end user site e.g. precast.

OR

The delivery of services at a customer or construction site including **on the highway**. This section would include entries relating to **contracting, laying and installation of precast products**.
- 7. Safer through improvements in health and wellbeing**

An entry that relates to initiatives that improve the health and well-being of people; this could be at a **specific site, within a division, or a company-wide initiative**. This could include management of **mental health, diet, medicals**, or possibly a hazard such as **dust or chemicals** if not more appropriately covered in an earlier topic.
- 8. Safer together**

An entry where the main emphasis is on working together, leadership or behavioural change. It might include training programmes, safety days, communication programmes, cross site safety audits or similar initiatives. These entries could be **site-specific, relate to a division or be a company-wide initiative**.

For further information or help please contact entries@mpahsawards.org

Support 'The Fatal 6' initiative by reviewing and acting on these high consequence hazards within your organisation:
1. Contact with moving machinery and isolation 2. Workplace transport and pedestrian interface 3. Work at height
4. Workplace Respirable Crystalline Silica 5. Struck by moving or falling object 6. Road Traffic Accidents

The awards include the following categories:

- **8 Topic Awards** – recognising health & safety innovations at different stages of activity within the production and distribution of mineral products – Open to all.
- **'The Fatal 6' Award** – recognising an exceptional innovation or good practice to eliminate a high consequence hazard associated with 'The Fatal 6' by a MPA member.
- **The Eurobitume Award** – recognising an exceptional innovation or good practice involving bitumen/asphalt or contract surfacing by a MPA member.

- **John Crabbe Award** – for a MPA member with over 250 employees which has achieved an outstanding performance in health & safety.
- **Sir Frank Davies Award** – for a MPA member with 250 or fewer employees which has achieved an outstanding performance in health & safety.
- **Young Leader Award** – for a MPA member wanting to recognise the leadership or outstanding contribution shown by an individual/s aged under 30, in driving forward changes in their organisation to make it a safer and healthier place to work.
- **Individual Awards** – for a MPA member wanting to recognise the contribution made by an individual/s in making their organisation a safer and healthier place to work.

Colin Mew, MPA's Head of Health and Safety said *"I urge companies of all sizes to consider whether they have health and safety ideas and successes they would like to share, for the benefit of the industry, to reward their employees for their contribution, and to see their organisation recognised for its achievements.*

The sharing of knowledge about the good practices and innovations will help us all to make our industry a safer and healthier place for everyone. It is also important to recognise the outstanding performance that individuals and organisations have made on our journey towards 'Vision Zero'."

The best entries from the last Awards were compiled together in [The Sharing Good Practice Guide](#) a collection of innovations, processes or engineering solutions which minimise and, where possible, eliminate health and safety risks arising from their daily operations.

Please feel free to contact David Yelland at entries@mpahsawards.org for more information.

Sponsorship opportunities are now open. Please watch this [video](#) and contact amy.aldred@mineralproducts.org.

VISION ZERO SAFE & WELL EVERY DAY

'The FATAL 6'

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Contact with moving machinery and isolation	Workplace transport and pedestrian interface	Work at height	Workplace Respirable Crystalline Silica	Struck by moving or falling object	Road Traffic Accidents

Mitigating high consequence hazards

[Six Values](#) that will help to keep us all safe

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