SAFETY HELMETS

Compulsory on British building sites since March 1990. Hard hat protection provides a rigid shell that resists and deflects blows to the head with a suspension system inside the hat that acts as a shock absorber.

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Employers must provide hard hats to employees and ensure that hard hats are worn when there is a risk of head injury.

Self-employed people must provide their own hard hats.

Part of this standard means the safety helmet meets or passes the following:

Manufacturers information
Date of manufacture, material, model number, brand, CE and EN markings (located under the visor).

5kg Impact resistance: A circular weight dropped from 1m height, transmitted force cannot exceed 5kn.

3kg Penetration resistance: A spike dropped from 1m height, spike must not penetrate the shell.

Chin strap anchorage points.

Standard Requirements: