

This is a clip from the 28 April 2025 recording of the
Hong Kong Housing Authority
“Site Safety Seminar for Capital Works New Works Contracts”
The speaker on stage is Mr Max WONG Chi-chung
Assistant Director (Project) 3 of the Housing Department
He will give the welcome address

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Distinguished guests, industry colleagues
participants joining online and on site
and colleagues, good day to you all
I am Mr Max WONG Chi-chung,
Assistant Director (Project) 3 of the Housing Department
I am very pleased to join you all today
at this “Site Safety Seminar for Capital Works New Works Contracts”
This seminar is attended by
more than 500 colleagues and industry practitioners
including participants joining us online and in person
This fully reflects that everyone attaches great importance to site safety
I would like to thank you all once again for your support

Today’s seminar covers a wide range of topics
First, we will talk about the safe operation and requirements of
Mobile Elevating Work Platforms (MEWPs)
This is a much-discussed topic
The Housing Authority has always placed site safety as its top priority
In view of the number of MEWP-related accidents last year
we have been working more actively with the industry
and other stakeholders
to jointly explore enhancement measures
to help site operators use MEWPs more safely
and to protect workers’ safety more effectively

Today, we are honoured to have invited
Mr Glenn HO, Chairman of the
Hong Kong Mobile Aerial Work Platform Association
to explain the safe operation methods of MEWPs
and the areas that require special attention
We hope this will help everyone reduce the related risks
and enhance the techniques and knowledge needed to prevent
accidents

Please do take note

Apart from this, we will also talk about
the risk management of lorry-mounted cranes
The potential risks of lorry-mounted cranes must not be overlooked
To strengthen everyone's safety awareness
we have specially invited
Mr Donald CHOW, Committee Member of
Hong Kong Professional Hoisting Engineering Association
together with members of his association, to share with us
some key points on the safe operation of cranes
so that everyone can refresh what they know and learn something new
and further understand the precautions
for using lorry-mounted cranes safely
while enhancing everyone's attention to work safety
involving heavy machinery

Of course, we must also mention our partner,
the Occupational Safety and Health Council
which conducts the quarterly Surprise Safety Inspection Programme
and the related safety audit reports
including the Housing Authority Safety Auditing System
and the Housing Authority Lift and Escalator Nominated
Sub-contracts Safety Auditing System
At Housing Authority sites
we have always strictly maintained the safety management system

Every quarter, we work with the Occupational Safety and Health Council
to conduct safety audits
and surprise safety inspections at new works sites

Apart from identifying areas for improvement
we share and communicate the findings
and observations from inspections
with frontline personnel
so as to enhance everyone's awareness of site safety

Later, Mr Steve HU and Mr Jack FONG
Senior Consultants of the Occupational Safety and Health Council
will analyse for us
the findings from the fourth quarter of 2024 and the first quarter of 2025
under the Surprise Safety Inspection Programme
and the Housing Authority Safety Auditing System
Among these findings, there are some examples of good practices
as well as some unsatisfactory practices
that deserve our heightened attention
They will also put forward some improvement recommendations
for everyone's reference at work

Towards the end of the seminar
we will also have a combined Q&A session
I hope everyone will pay close attention while listening to the seminar
I believe everyone will be able to answer the questions
and the guest speakers will also answer them one by one
so as to further deepen our exchange and build consensus

Finally, I would also like to call on everyone
site safety is not only about meeting temporary requirements
but something that should become part of our culture
and a long-term responsibility for all of us
I hope that through today's seminar
everyone can bring the latest safety concepts and knowledge

back to their own workplace
and share them with colleagues and site project teams
Let us work together to create
a more standardised and safer construction environment

Thank you

Thank you for watching

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