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## **USE YOUR HEAD FOR HEIGHTS** **STAY WITHIN THE LAW**

The new Work at Height Regulations 2004 (WAH Regulation) is being introduced by the Health and Safety Executive and will become effective during 2004.

The British Ladder Manufacturers Association has used its comprehensive knowledge and extensive experience, to develop practical guidance on the correct selection and use of steps and ladders. This guidance has been produced in consultation with the Health and Safety Executive, the Department of Trade & Industry and the British Standards Institute.

The attached copies of the Guidance Note and Risk Assessment cards explain how ladders and steps can be used safely whilst complying with the requirements of the new legislation.

We have produced these documents to assist the users of ladders and steps to understand the implications of the new regulations and to help select the most appropriate equipment for your applications.

You can download further copies of the Guidance Note and the Risk Assessment cards from the British Ladder Manufacturers Association Web Site:

[www.Ladders-BLMA.co.uk](http://www.Ladders-BLMA.co.uk)

The British Ladder Manufacturers Association also issues a comprehensive handbook on the safe use of steps and ladder. The handbook provides detailed guidance on safe working practice using steps and ladders, to assist in compliance with the new regulations.

If you have any questions regarding steps and ladders, or we can help you with further guidance regarding the new regulations, please do not hesitate to contact us either via our website or on our telephone information number:

**IGNORANCE IS NO DEFENCE**



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We look forward to helping you and in assisting you to work safely at height.

With Best Regards

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