

Remember the dead, fight for the living

On April 28 – International Workers’ Memorial Day – we remember those who have died as a result of accidents, injuries or illnesses caused by work. And it is the day we promise to fight for the living and make workplaces safer and healthier, because 50,000 deaths a year as a result of work is too many.

Remember

Every year around 50,000 people die as a result of work-related incidents and ill-health. Each one of those deaths leaves families and friends devastated and our thoughts are with all of them on this day.

On top of this many more people suffer life changing injuries that sometimes lead to permanent disability, a career cut short and lives blighted forever.

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Fight

UNISON takes health and safety seriously and the memory of those killed or injured at work spurs us on to greater efforts to make all our workplaces safer.

We do that through our network of trained safety reps, people like you, who are out there every day in workplaces across the country helping keep us all safe.

They do a great job – all the evidence shows that workplaces with active trade union safety reps are twice as safe for staff as those without reps.

So, what better way is there to honour the dead by helping us prevent deaths and injuries at work by becoming a UNISON safety rep.

All our safety reps get comprehensive training and support from the union – find out more at unison.org.uk/get-involved

Advice and guidance on a whole range of health and safety issues is available at unison.org.uk/unison-health-and-safety

UNISON safety reps make a real difference

UNISON is the UK's largest trade union and has thousands of safety reps working hard to make lives safer by:

- cutting stress by reducing workloads and tackling bullying
- tackling work related aches, pains and strains
- identifying potentially lethal poisonous fumes and gases
- making sure asbestos and other dangerous substances are removed or managed
- tackling extreme heat or cold in the workplace.

If you want to raise an issue about health and safety in your workplace speak to your local safety rep:

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