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## **Surprises In Safety, Materials Handling Technology**

Just when technological innovation looks like reaching a plateau, something new comes along to give workplace safety and materials handling productivity another boost.

Visitors to Safety in Action, to be held in conjunction with Melbourne Materials Handling at the Melbourne Exhibition Centre on 17-19 April, are in store for a few surprises.

One is ViSafe, breakthrough wireless sensor technology to measure movements and muscle activity of the low back, shoulder and upper and lower limbs for people performing work tasks.

To be demonstrated at the dorsaVi stand, ViSafe uses small, low profile sensors, so workers can wear them unimpeded over a whole day while they perform their usual work tasks. The information is recorded for assessment.

ViSafe assessments provide an objective picture of how people move at work so organisations can then develop strategies to eliminate, reduce or better manage physical effort and injury risks.

### **Free WorkHealth Checks**

WorkHealth will be offering free, quick and confidential WorkHealth checks on all three days of Safety in Action.

The checks test for risk factors associated with type 2 diabetes and cardiovascular disease, two of the most common yet preventable chronic diseases, and take just 15 minutes.

WorkHealth is an initiative by WorkSafe Victoria to reduce the impact of chronic disease in the Victorian workforce.

While on the subject, the Health At Work stand will showcase health and well being services to corporate and industry clients Australia-wide. Its programs are designed to increase employee productivity, decrease absenteeism and reduce injury claims.

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Services range from health checks and massage to nutrition, from sun awareness and skin checks to cutting edge stress resilience, the aim being to empower a business's most valuable resource – its employees – to better look after their health and safety.

### **Take five**

Safety information should always be a priority. The Tennyson Group stand will show its specialty - Take 5 Safety books - along with an array of other printed safety items including durable signage, safety tags and pre-start checklist books.

The Take 5 book allows holders to accurately and promptly report hazards in the workplace and complete a simple Risk Assessment, while also offering safety tips that are simple to follow.

### **Aid to manual handling**

Electrodrive focuses on making the workplace safer with custom engineered manual handling equipment to suit specific workplace applications.

Visitors to the Electrodrive stand can check out equipment ranging from tugs, power trolleys, waste bin movers and ride-ons for industrial requirements to motorised bed-movers.

Melbourne Materials Handling will cover several management disciplines including warehouse and operations, site management, production and maintenance, and equipment operations.

Attendees can explore what's new in automatic identification, bulk handling, conveying equipment and accessories, logistics and supply chain technology, packaging and equipment, storage and warehousing, waste management and listing equipment.

### **Squeeze on carbon footprint**

Miltek Waste Solutions will showcase a wide range of high quality compactors, which reduce the carbon footprint by turning cardboard, plastic, steel cans and EPS (polystyrene) into compressed waste bales.

At the Miltek stand, visitors will also learn how Miltek can convert the traditional waste disposal costs of businesses into income, by encouraging recycling. Miltek uses a unique, air compressor driven method, or electro-mechanical for larger machines.

### **Flexible drives**

Flexible Drive Agencies (FDA) is known for its broad range of mechanical and electromechanical products with applications across every key industry sector.



On display at the show will be GO Light 360 degree revolving remote control lighting; Honeywell wireless remote switching systems; ECCO LED quality and robust work lamps; low speed vehicle warning systems; load restraint products for tautliners; chain ratchet binders; ute, truck and tray restraint systems; and manual remote valve actuator systems for oil, gas and sewage.

The above is just a sampling of what will be exhibited at Safety in Action and Melbourne Materials Handling.

The shows will have products and services of interest to managers in warehousing, logistics, site management, maintenance, QA, production, OHS, risk, forklift management and project management, as well as to foremen, building contractors, plant managers, union representatives, emergency services personnel, rehabilitation coordinators, occupational therapists, engineers and despatch managers.

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#### Safety in Action & Melbourne Materials Handling

Tuesday	17 April 2012	10am - 5pm
Wednesday	18 April 2012	9am - 5pm
Thursday	19 April 2012	9am - 4pm

Venue: Melbourne Exhibition Centre

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