The Danish Working Environment Authority

The WEA is a government authority in Denmark, one of the functions of which is supervision of building and construction sites.

On Danish building sites, the provisions of Danish working environment legislation and associated guidelines apply.

The WEA has four Inspection Centres. Its head office is located in Copenhagen.

Inspection Centre staff includes specialists with knowledge of particular industries. Among these are inspectors specialising in the area of building and construction.

If you would like to find out more about the Danish legal provisions relating to building sites, you can find the information at www.at.dk.

Reaction

When visiting/inspecting your site, WEA inspectors will check whether your work is being performed in accordance with the Danish rules.

If they find anything that does not meet the requirements of the Danish rules, they have the following options:

**Guidance:** Giving advice and guidance on how your work can be performed in accordance with the Danish rules.

**Improvement Notice:** Issuing an Improvement Notice requiring the matter to be put right within a specified time limit.

**Prohibition Notice:** Ordering work to be stopped, in cases where there is an imminent substantial risk to your own or others’ life and health.

**Report to the Police:** Making a report to the Police with a view to prosecuting you for gross recklessness in the performance of the work.

See also the folders on:

- Working on roofs
- Working on scaffolding
- Working on ladders
- Demolition work
- Working in excavations
- Personal protective equipment
- Training requirements
Signals for working with cranes

- Hoist
- Lower
- Raise slowly
- Lower slowly

- For short distance between rigger and crane operator
- Lift/raise boom
- Lower/sink boom
- Swing left
- Swing right
- Telescope out
- Telescope in
- Main hoist

- Auxiliary hoist
- Stop
- Rapid stop
- This direction

- Signals not at clear
- Open equipment (grab)
- Close equipment (grab)
- “Lollypop”