



Slips, trips and falls at work

Injuries related to slips, trips and falls at work can be significant. Let's find out what the risks are and what we can all do to make sure floors and work practices are suitable.

Human and financial cost of slips, trips and falls

Injuries related to slips, trips and falls at work can impact many areas of a person's life, including:



Social life



Family



Finances



Health



Mobility



Work



Lost working days



Insurance costs



Fines



Compensation payments and court costs

Managing the risks

Routine action can be taken to minimise the risk:

- ✓ Suitable cleaning regime
- ✓ Surface contamination checks
- ✓ Cable management
- ✓ Bins/waste emptied regularly
- ✓ Suitable storage
- ✓ Regular inspections
- ✓ Individuals taking responsibility
- ✓ Holding handrail on stairs
- ✓ Easy reporting system for defects or concerns
- ✓ Mats in entry areas
- ✓ Suitable umbrella storage
- ✓ Risk assessments for handling of items

If you see a hazard, take action! If you can't resolve it, make sure the hazard is marked and report it so action can be taken.