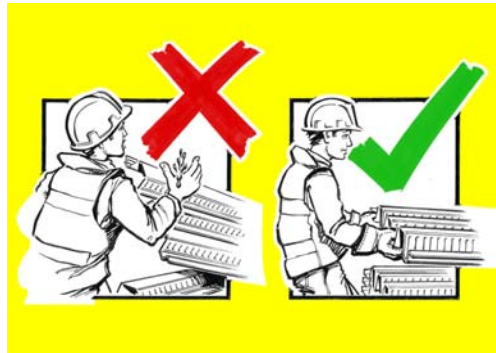


# Trojan Horse Message Information Sheet

This sheet provides practical information on the successful implementation of the following Trojan Horse Message:

## HANDLING SHARP OBJECTS



*Trojan Horse messages are eye-catching pictures placed on construction products and equipment, showing how to perform tasks safely. All messages are subject to a rigorous peer review process.*

### 1 Health and Safety Issue

This message highlights the need to use appropriate gloves during manual handling operations with steel decking.

Injuries resulting from the manual handling of objects and materials with sharp edges are common in the construction industry. Even minor incidents can lead to significant accumulations of lost time.

Problems can also occur with infections of uncovered cuts or contamination of cuts with chemicals.

#### Further information:

Preventing injuries from the manual handling of sharp edges in the engineering industry, (www.hse.gov.uk), Engineering Sheet No 16, 1998.

A short guide to the Personal Protective Equipment at Work Regulations 1992, (www.hse.gov.uk), INDG174(rev1), revised 2005.

### 2 Application of Message

This message can be stuck onto bundles of steel decking at the factory.

### 3 Message Format

Messages should be printed on A5 size laminated synthetic labels with a permanent adhesive backing to ensure adequate adhesion to the steel.

**This message has been approved for use by the Metal Cladding and Roofing Manufacturers Association.**

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