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WORKERS MEMORIAL DAY 2022

Dear Members,

Workers Memorial Day is an annual event to highlight the Health and Safety issues and campaigns within the workplace.

It is also a day to remember those who have lost their lives or been injured within the workplace.



GMB London Region conduct a comprehensive H&S inspection within every ASDA Store in the region every 3 months. This covers Health and Safety matters along with Fire Safety.

Over the past 12 months GMB London Region have highlighted more than 1,300 Fire Safety Breaches and Serious H&S issues within ASDA Stores. Of these nearly 300 have been escalated to ASDA's regional team to investigate due to the issue reoccurring within the same stores.

This is clearly unacceptable and shows that the company are not taking your safety seriously. It is also a disregard by the company upon Fire Safety and H&S Compliance.

GMB London Region have approached ASDA to improve their training upon Fire Safety and H&S however ASDA do not believe there is an issue with the current training provided.

We all know that training provided by ASDA upon Fire Safety and H&S is not fit for purpose and it is time ASDA stopped burying their heads in the sand and invested into providing suitable training for all to improve the safety of colleagues working within ASDA Stores.

Ask yourself, When did you receive comprehensive training upon Fire Safety and not just a tick box exercise?

GMB London Region will continue to undertake the inspections and would welcome your feedback upon what is good and what is bad regarding the Health & Safety within your store.

If you are seeking support or advice, please speak to your local shop steward, contact our office directly at 01603 626492, or visit our GMB Members' Support Centre at www.gmb-asda.com/support

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