



Talk No. 20		STACKING ON SITE	
Start time		End	Duration

1. **Introduction:**

- 1.1 Unsafe stacking can result in collapse, or when materials have to be collected, safe stacking not only reduces risk but also enhances

2. **Main Points:**

- 2.1 Only stack materials ensuring that escape routes, doorways etc are not blocked.
- 2.2 Stack on level, firm where appropriate and never stack materials higher than width.
- 2.3 Make sure you wear gloves and safety boots and use hand tools where appropriate.

3. **Points to remember**

- 3.1 Use machinery where need for manual handling. Where manual handling is necessary, carry out an assessment.
- 3.2 Stack small pipes in rows. Larger pipes must be securely chocked at the base.
- 3.3 Do not stack pipes if they are not sufficiently stable.
- 3.4 Large concrete rings should not be stacked if they cannot roll.
- 3.5 Small sized timbers should be stacked in rows.
- 3.6 Bearers should be used and joists — use cross packing to keep level.
- 3.7 Where possible keep materials in different stacks.
- 3.8 Large prefabricated components should be stacked flat or in suitable racks — they should never be leaned against structures, parts of buildings, or other materials.
- 3.9 Store bricks/blocks/blocks on level surfaces and ensure heights are controlled:
- 3.9.1 only stack two layers of bricks/blocks. Upper stacks squarely on lower stacks.

3.10 If banding is damaged or missing then do not stack other materials on top:

3.10.1 where necessary ensure safe.

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All operatives **listed and signed** below

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