

Leading Constructions firms roll out the delivery of the EWPA's leading safety course for site managers, demonstrating their commitment to workplace safety.

In response to recent Mobile Elevating Work Platform (MEWP) incidents, the Elevating Work Platform Association (EWPA) is actively promoting Australia's first **MEWP Supervisor Training Course**.

These recent incidents have highlighted not only the importance of effective machine operator training. But also, the vital role that site supervisors/safety officers play in ensuring that MEWPs are operated in a safe manner with appropriate hazard control and documented emergency procedures.

The MEWP Supervisor Course has been designed specifically for those who are currently (or working towards) a Safety Officer / Site Manager role, where they are responsible for the planning, supervising, or managing the safe use of Mobile Elevating Work Platforms. This course covers **machine selection, planning, prevention of incidents and putting the right procedures in place** – all aimed at keeping workers safe.

Leading Tier 1 construction firms, including Watpac, Lend Lease and McConnell Dowell have already rolled out the delivery of the MEWP Supervisor course, demonstrating their serious commitment to safety on their work sites.

*"The training I received as a part of the MEWP Supervisor Course has refocused my awareness around identifying hazards and the prevention of incidents. I urge all stakeholders that deal with Mobile Elevating Work Platforms (MEWP's) to do this training and soon."* Says Adam Sainthill, Project Safety Advisor at Watpac.

The MEWP supervisor course covers all aspects of the role and duties of those who plan, supervise or manage the use of MEWP's, ensuing working at heights is undertaken safely, as well as ensuring suitable incident prevention strategies are implemented.

Completion of this course is a clear demonstration of a PCBU's commitment to **proactively manage site hazards and risks** and making reasonable and practical efforts to ensure the safety of staff and site visitors.

For more information on the MEWP Supervisor course visit [www.ewpa.com.au](http://www.ewpa.com.au) or email [info@ewpa.com.au](mailto:info@ewpa.com.au)

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