



## put into practice

Last winter we had loads of snow and some co-workers climbed high on flat roofs to clear them. Without special security against falling it is not allowed to work in a height of 3,0 m and more according to the regulation GUV V-C22. If you do not have a railing, you can rent a mobile equipment to secure against falling. Or you can secure yourself with a belt and a rope. In addition you need certain fixing points. You can get help from roofers and traders of security systems. An information about "**Safe roofwork**" is linked, - see <http://osha.europa.eu/en/publications/factsheets/49>



Bild: Fa. Artex



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In springtime people are going out in their gardens and the kids start to play outside. A lot of churches have already a trampoline. To avoid accidents we recommend a paper with a set of rules, which should be fixed on the trampoline. A comprehensive assistance for planning and use represents the DGUV.: <http://publikationen.dguv.de/dguv/pdf/10002/si-8095.pdf>

## news

The reimbursement of expenses for the **education as a first-aid of the church** is already well known. But there are questions regarding the acknowledgement for the **applicants of driving licences**. From contents and extend the 8h-trainingcourse corresponds with the certified courses "live-saving prompt measures for driving licence applicants" (class B) from the certified enterprises, e.g. ASB, DRK, DLRG, Johanniter, Malteser. But the BG-en have forbidden to make a note on their certificate, that it is also valid for the driving licence, because they finance the course. In some areas, e.g. in Berlin, the employees of the office of driving licences have to



accept the courses without the special note. Sometimes an informal letter of the certified enterprise can be helpful for the acknowledgement.

For the **Jugendleiter-Card** this courses are normally accepted by the youth welfare office, important is only the duration of the course (8 hours).

## training

Johannes Schmidt from the Ecclesia church Langenfeld joins our team of regional co-workers as an specialist of occupational health and safety, see [www.usb-net.de](http://www.usb-net.de).



Foto: J. Schmidt

At our conference about safety in church organizations in November 2011 we had 23 co-workers from independent churches to learn about safe transporting of loads, correct handling of protective gloves and good and necessary illumination in churches and their surrounding. Mr. Schmidt and Mr. Nolting (both from the VBG) and the specialists from USB Mr. Stefan Breite and Mr. Martin Breite provided an interesting program.

The next conference for our co-workers will be in November 2013.

Please take part in the variously offered courses for stress prevention. There are special courses run by the different churches, by the BG or restful vacations with physical exercises or days in a convent.

**Be burning for God, but don't have a burn out!**

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