

THE POWER TO DELIVER

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Reducing labour costs and injuries associated with home delivery are two major challenges faced by supermarkets and retailers. "Improper manual handling costs businesses millions each year with more than 100,000 injuries recorded, a quarter of which are classed as 'severe'," explains MD Graham Sharp. "In addressing these challenges, the use of lightweight, powered stair climbers, provides a safe, quick and efficient goods handling solution and a number of major supermarkets are starting to trial the technology to reduce injury and increase productivity. Stanley Handling is at the forefront of stair climber development, supplying and maintaining a range of machines designed specifically for the logistics and warehousing sectors. Extended trials have shown them to offer significant return on investment, through savings in manpower and a

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reduction in the risk of injury." Weighing just 13.5kg with a carrying capacity of up to 85kg, the Sprinter 85 stair climber trolley offers an ideal solution for medium to light loads. With simple push button control and twin speed function, the trolley's caterpillar tracks and puncture proof tyres enables a single operator to deliver loads up and down stairs both safely and quickly. Its compact and foldable design facilitates easy on-board stowage and a one-hour fast charge battery ensures continual reliability. With operative safety and return on investment for customers in sharp focus, each Stanley stair climber can be fully customized to business needs. Importantly, the whole range complies with relevant health and safety at work legislation, including the Manual Handling Operations Regulations 1992 (MHOR). ■

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‘You can’t be a safe worker if you’re not a healthy worker’.

According to Graham Sharp, Managing Director of materials handling specialist, Stanley Handling, this statement from Professor Dame Carol Black, the government advisor on health and work, should be on display in every warehouse and factory.

The link between both the health and safety of employees, he argues, cannot be overstated, as investing in staff wellbeing has shown to improve productivity by up to 25 percent. This doesn't include added value to a business from higher performance, reduced sickness absence or better staff retention. Longer hours don't always translate into increased achievement. Quite simply, an employee operating at one hundred percent efficiency is better than them completing an eight-hour shift at just fifty percent. Individual happiness, physical wellbeing and positive mental health are all major contributors to the overall health and profitability of any business.

Injuries arising from poor manual handling costs the UK economy millions each year with more than 100,000 recorded injuries annually, 2000 of those classed as severe. Musculoskeletal injuries account for over 40% of all work-related sickness and data from the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) shows that around 8.8 million working days were lost to this type of injury during 2015-16, mainly caused by improper manual handling or poor ergonomic practices. Using an average sick pay amount of £17.69 per day, researchers calculated the total cost to firms of around £154 million.

Reducing injuries but also mitigating costs due to lost productivity are two major challenges for logistics and warehousing businesses. In addressing these, the use of specially designed, powered goods handling solutions has shown to deliver a positive return on investment.

Similarly, innovative wearable devices which employ artificial intelligence (AI) to identify hazardous actions, by continuously measuring movement, frequency and forces on the body, are now being trialed. A major benefit of AI-based solutions, is that data collected can encourage employees to self-manage their own wellbeing, whilst management can use it to implement wider business improvements. In Stanley's experience of supporting customers with such technology, operatives can learn and embed new

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Reducing injuries and supporting businesses with cost-efficient solutions is a major focus for innovative manual handling equipment specialist, Stanley. The Bedfordshire-based company is at the forefront of powered stair climber development, supplying and maintaining a range of machines designed specifically for the logistics and warehousing sectors. Extended trials with major retailers have already shown them to offer a significant return on investment, through savings in manpower and a reduction in operative injury.

Weighing just 13.5kg with a carrying capacity of up to 85kg, Stanley's Sprinter 85 stair climber trolley offers an ideal solution for medium to light loads, for example. With simple push button control and twin speed function, the trolley's caterpillar tracks and puncture proof tyres enables a single operator to negotiate stairs safely and quickly. Its compact and foldable design facilitates easy onboard stowage and a one-hour fast charge battery ensures continual reliability.

Stanley complements its machines with the option of wearable devices, supplied under the brand name Soterspine, which employ artificial intelligence (AI) to identify hazardous actions, by continuously measuring movement, frequency and forces on the body.

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You can't be safe if you're not healthy

By Graham Sharp, Stanley on 07 January 2020

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The title of this comment, a statement from Professor Dame Carol Black, the government advisor on health and work, should be displayed prominently at every business.

The link between both the health and safety of employees cannot be overstated, as investing in staff wellbeing has shown to improve productivity by up to 25 per cent. This doesn't include added value to a business from higher performance, reduced sickness absence or better staff retention. We must acknowledge, however, that longer hours don't always translate into increased achievement.

Quite simply, an employee operating at 100 per cent efficiency for five hours is better than them completing an eight-hour shift at just 50 per cent. Individual happiness, physical wellbeing and positive mental health are all major contributory factors in the overall health and profitability of a business, be it a one-man band or a workforce of thousands.

In our experience within the logistics, grocery and warehousing sectors, the exponential growth in online shopping has resulted in a significant rise in work-related injuries. The facts are stark. Improper manual handling costs millions each year with more than 100,000 manual handling injuries recorded, 2,000 of those classed as severe.

