

Pruning cart for vineyard

Task Description:

The seasonal worker goes from vineyard to vineyard 4 months per year to do manual pruning. In the earlier days this was done with a knife (cutting risks!), fortunately nowadays special tools can be used (see other document). Very severe back flexion occurs and awkward wrist postures.



Comments from the employee:

- 'The work height is not always in accordance with the working posture'
- 'It is complicated to obtain a correct working posture'
- 'It is no comfortable standing posture'

MSD risks:

- Uncomfortable postures of back, neck and shoulder

Exposed areas:

- Neck / shoulder
- upper/lower back

Solutions:

- Pruning cart



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Comments from the employer

Cart: problem when surface too uneven, wet, ...

Photos: Veerle Hermans, Belgium, 2009