**Basic Tower Climbing & Rescue Scheme – Web content template**

About the Scheme

The Mast and Tower Safety (MATS): Basic Tower Climbing & Rescue scheme is a skills-based scheme designed to support the safety of those individuals who work on towers and masts in the telecommunications and broadcast industry. It provides a framework to support consistency and relevance in training provision and assessment of competence.

Developed in collaboration with the industry “Mast and Tower Safety Group”, the scheme is due to go live on **01 January 2020** and recognises the skills and underpinning knowledge required to safely and competently climb and undertake rescues from towers and masts. This scheme covers the minimum training and assessment required for those working safely on masts and towers and incorporates the relevant requirements of HSE legislation.

The MATS Basic Tower Climbing & Rescue scheme consists of two parts:

1. an initial 3-day training programme and
2. a mandatory 1-day annual renewal training programme.

Registration Categories

The following registration categories are available for this scheme:

* Basic Tower Climbing & Rescue

The EUSR registration card will reflect the category.

Registration on EUSR

Registration is based on successful completion of an Energy & Utility Skills approved training programme and assessment delivered through a network of Energy & Utility Skills approved providers.

EUSR registration for Mast and Tower Safety (MATS): Basic Tower Climbing & Rescue scheme is for 1 year from the date of assessment.

Re-Registration on EUSR

Re-registration on EUSR is required after 1 year and is dependent upon you being able to demonstrate continued competence, which can be evidenced through the completion of the 1-day annual renewal course.

Find Out More

If you are a provider and would like to deliver this scheme, please see our guidance in the [Approval and Delivery](https://www.eusr.co.uk/approval-and-delivery/) section.

If you have any queries relating to EUSR or the evidence requirements for any of our schemes or programmes, please contact the EUSR Support team. We are available Monday – Friday, 8.00am – 5.00pm via email [eusr@euskills.co.uk](mailto:eusr@euskills.co.uk) or tel: **0845 077 99 22** (select option 1).