

# The dangers of

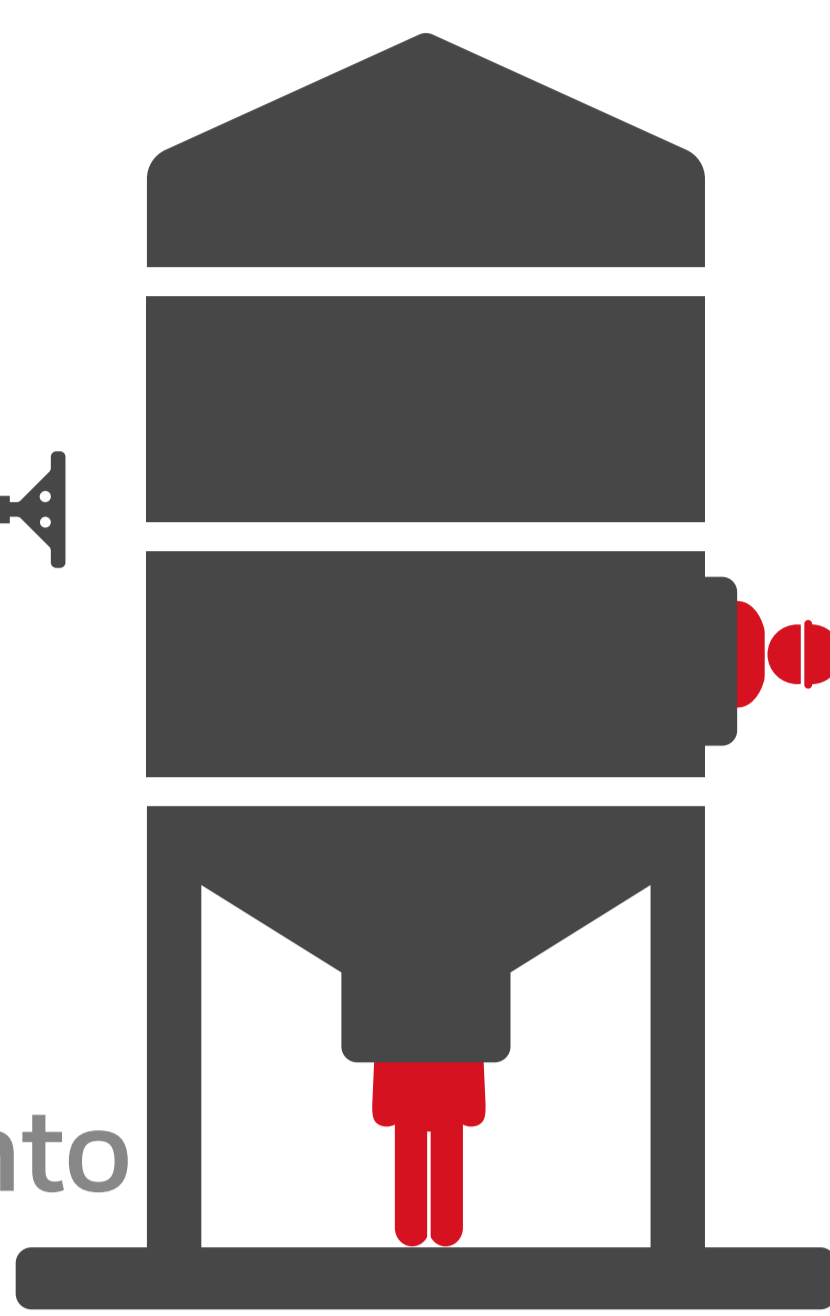


# spaces

A confined space is:



**Not** primarily designed or intended for a human to work in



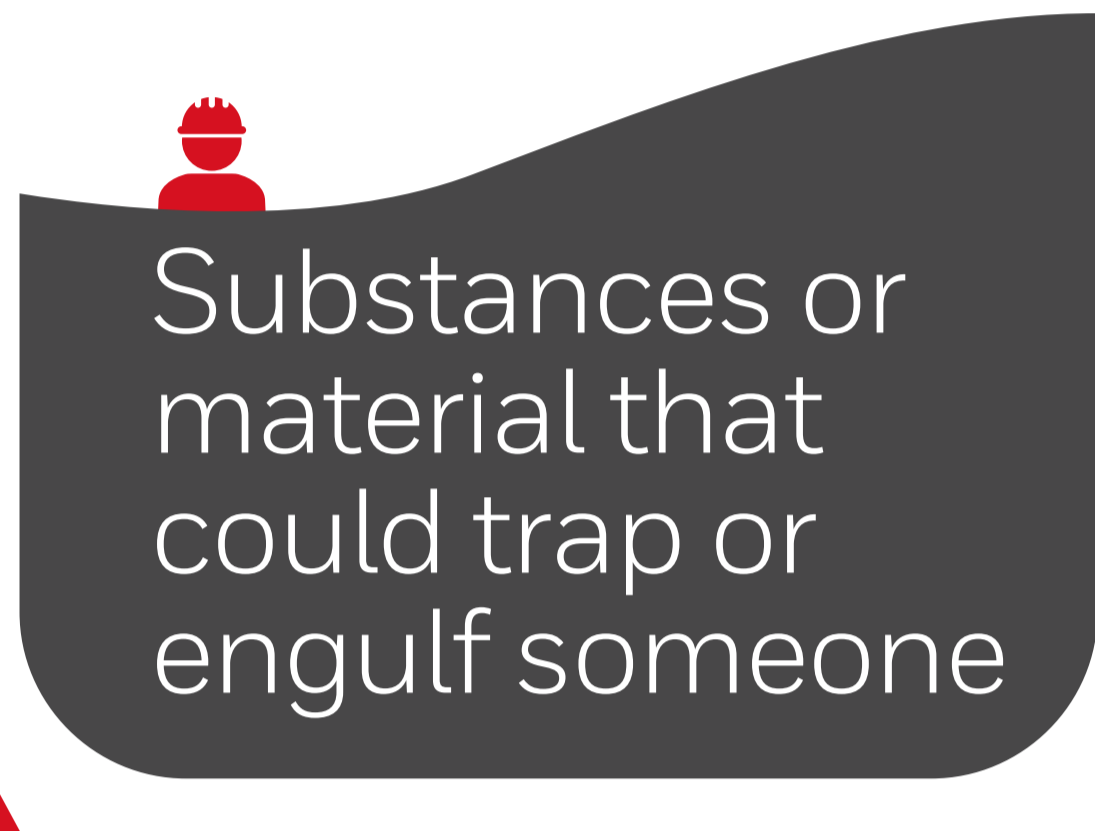
or out of

**Not** easy to get into

A confined space has:



Hazardous atmosphere

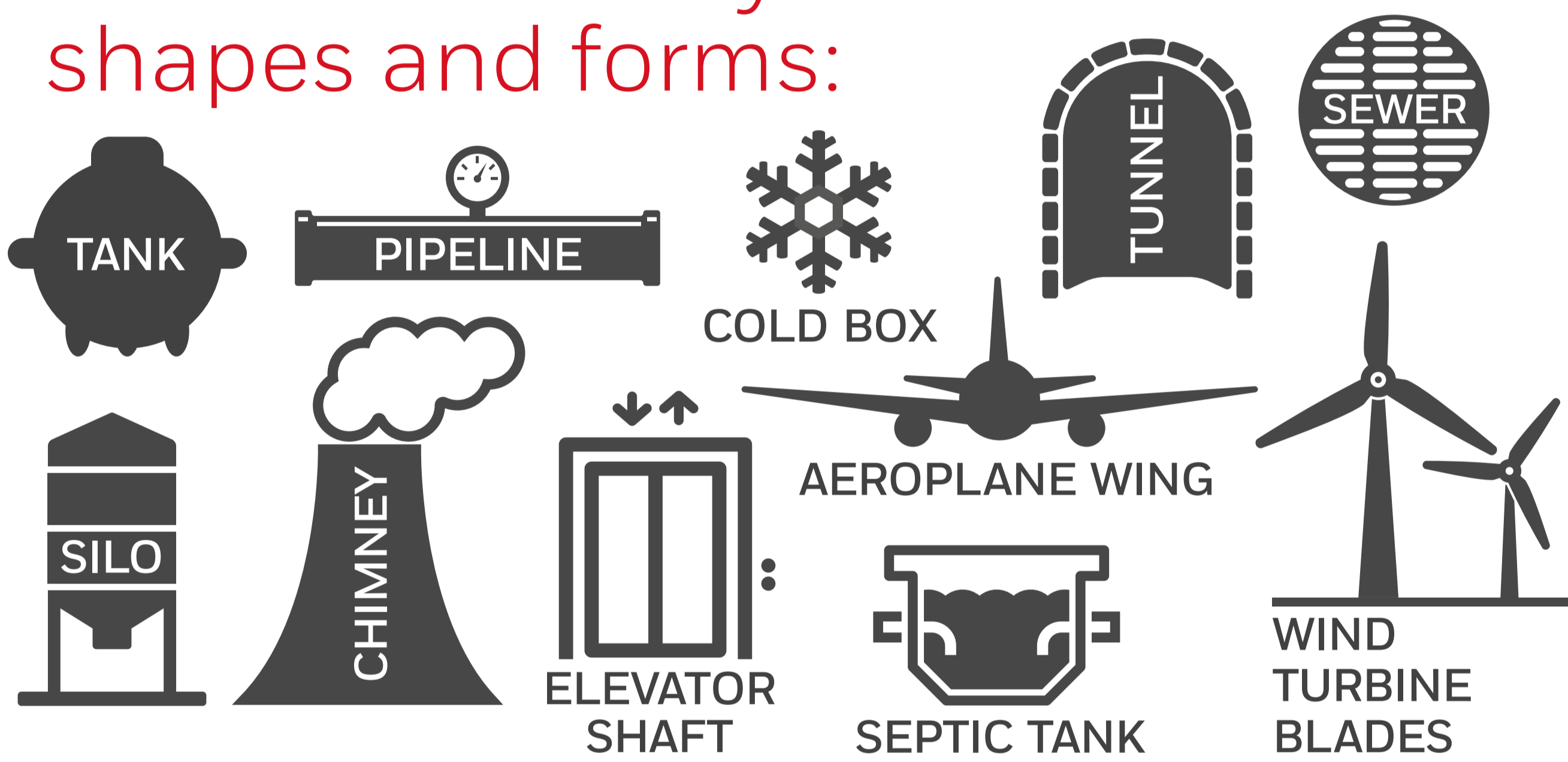


Substances or material that could trap or engulf someone

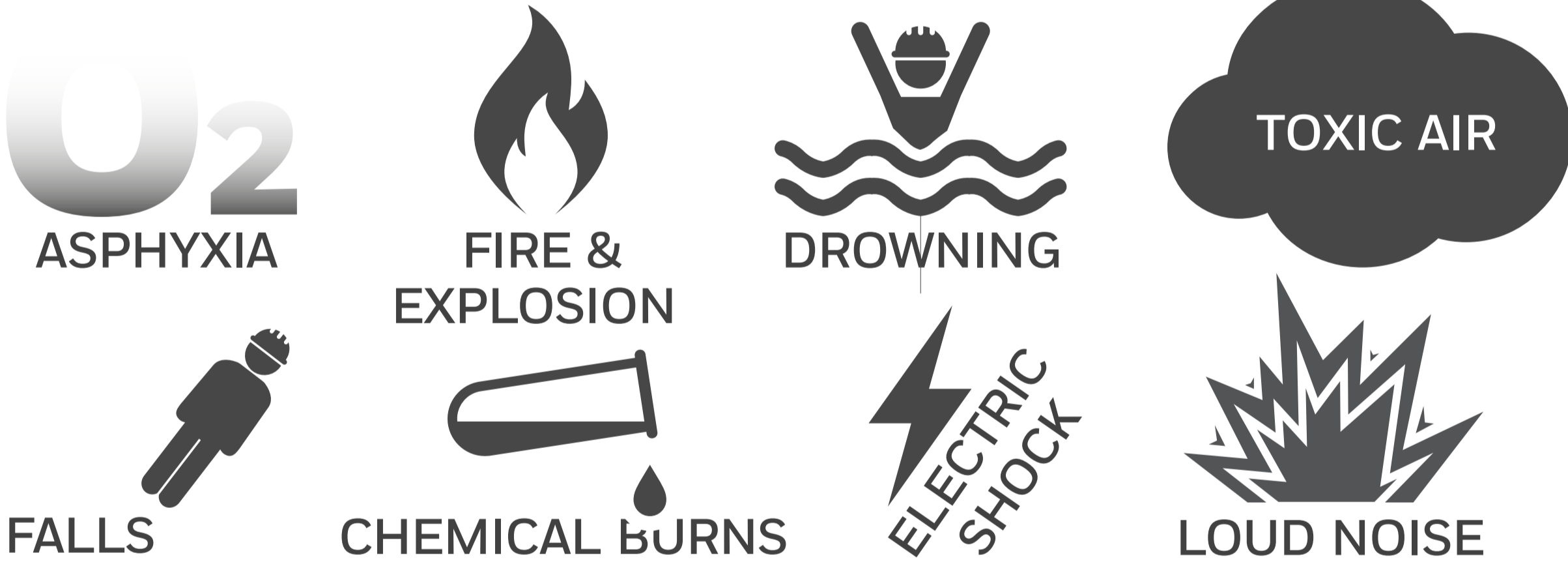


Risks to the health and safety of anyone who enters

It comes in many different shapes and forms:



And the dangers are many:



## Did you know?

**17%**

The oxygen concentration threshold below which asphyxia occurs

**Nº 1**

cause of death in confined spaces is asphyxia<sup>1</sup>

**6 IN 10**

fatalities in confined spaces involve rescuers<sup>2</sup>

**5m**

the height below which most confined space falls happen<sup>3</sup>

**2x**

the length of a sick leave caused by a fall compared to other risks<sup>4</sup>

**£2.5m**



the fine received by a large retailer for the fatal fall of a confined space contractor<sup>5</sup>

For more information visit <https://hwll.co/PPE-confined-space>

1 - source: <https://webapps.doh.gov/elaws/osh/confined/PRCSGEN.asp>  
2 - source: <https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/docs/86-110/default.html>  
3 - source: CNAMTS - Caisse Nationale de l'Assurance Maladie des Travailleurs Salariés  
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5 - source: <https://www.healthandsafetyatwork.com/work-at-height/iceland-rotherham-tony-hopkins>