

Man Cements Head in Microwave for Attention



Summary: An England-based YouTube prankster took his prank too far when he tried to make a mold of his head inside a microwave oven with cement.

What would you do for attention? An English man made a seriously stupid choice in order to get clicks on his YouTube video.

Firefighters were called to a home in central England where they found a guy with his head cemented inside a microwave oven. Let's just say the firefighters were "seriously unimpressed."

The Wolverhampton-based YouTube prankster wrapped his head in a plastic bag and then put his head inside the microwave oven. His friends then poured cements inside the microwave oven. When they were not able to get his head out, they inserted an air tube into the oven so their friend could breathe. They were trying to make a cement bold of his features.

Well the YouTube video prank went very wrong. The friends spent 90 minutes trying to free the man from the device but were unable to. Media outlets identified the man as 22-year-old Jay Swingler. His YouTube channel is TGFbro.

They eventually called for help. The crew from the Fallings Park Community Fire Station responded to the call around 2pm on Wednesday afternoon after the responding ambulance service called for their assistance in the garage of a house in Fordhouses, Wolverhampton.

While some may find the stunt funny, the fire crew spent over an hour struggling to get the man free. Watch Commander Shaun Dakin of the West Midlands Fire Service said, "As funny as this sounds, this young man could quite easily have suffocated or have been seriously injured. He and a group of friends had mixed seven bags of Polyfilla which they then poured around his head, which was protected by a plastic bag inside the microwave. The oven was being used as mould, and wasn't plugged in.

"The mixture quickly set hard and, by the time we were called, they'd already been trying to free him for an hour and a half. Taking the microwave apart was tricky, because a lot of it as welded. We video-called our technical rescue colleagues for advice and eventually managed to get him unstuck," Dakin continued.

Lucky for the man, he was not harmed from the badly-planned stunt, just very shaken. Dakin explained, "He was very relieved when we removed a large chunk of the Polyfilla with a screwdriver, allowing him to breathe more easily. But we had to be extremely careful with the screwdriver, working so closely to his head."

Dakin added, "All of the group involved were very apologetic but this was clearly a call-out which might have prevented us from helping someone else in genuine, accidental need."

His channel has since shared the video of the stunt-gone-wrong. Beware, there may be some distressing scenes.

Do you think people are too concerned with their popularity, especially when it comes to the number of views or subscribers on YouTube? Share your thoughts with us in the comments below.

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