



Safety Alert

Fall from Crane Truck results in fractured wrist.

Incident Description

This incident occurred 1/12/07. Upon accessing the rear of a Tyre Handling Crane Truck to collect an extension air line, a tyre serviceman fell from the rear of the truck (approximately 1.3m in height). This fall resulted in the tyre serviceman receiving a fractured wrist, requiring surgery.

Recommendations

Whilst the complete detail of the incident is not contained above, the following recommendations were determined during the incident reporting process:

1. When undertaking work that has *the potential for a person to fall from one height to another*, regardless of the magnitude of the height, ensure that the following points are considered as part of a JHA/RA process:
 - Three-point-contact during access & egress;
 - Hand rails & barriers;
 - Appropriate access and egress step, ladder, or platform facilities;
 - Stability & size of the structure you are working from;
 - Harness and or use of gantry system for yourself or tooling.
2. When storing equipment, tooling, consumables at a height where there is *the potential for a person to fall from one height to another* during collection or stowage of that item, consider the possibility of relocating the stored item to a location where the potential for falling is reduced or eliminated.
3. Upon your next Site Procedural Review, look for examples within the procedures where there is *the potential for a person to fall from one height to another*, and ask yourself "does this procedure identify and control these situations?" If you have examples where the answer is NO then please make use of JHAs. A permanent solution may be that the Procedure for that task can be amended at your next Procedural review.



Eliminate All Unsafe Acts.

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