

Safety Alert

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LIFTING LUG FAILURE ON CONCRETE BIN

This Safety Alert was recently issued by CPB Contractors 22/02/2017.

Incident Description

Lifting lugs on a concrete waste skip have failed (sheared off) during the transfer of concrete waste from one bin to another. A piece of concrete was thrown from the bin (as the lug failed) and made contact with the Dogman resulting in the Dogman being hospitalised.



All work areas undertook the following:

- Out of service tags placed on all waste bins which were not load rated;
- Review of designated lifting points and compliance plates on all bins on site;
- Toolbox to all workers and engineers about the incident;
- Housekeeping in all areas reviewed and remedied as required;
- Review of all SWMS in operation across the site;
- Inspection of each work area by all workers in the area to identify hazards or non-compliances in any shape or form (plant, tools, equipment, process, site set-up etc);

Given the prevalence of similar bins all around the place on our sites, projects are to undertake checks on bins and associated lifting and handling arrangements on all VicRoads sites.

Please communicate this with all relevant road construction and maintenance staff and contractors.

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