

Title: Eye Injury to Track worker

Reason for Alert:



Whilst working on a high output TRS core site, this trackman was struck in the eyelid by a flying shard of metal. Thankfully this missed the eyeball itself but required removal of the metal and stitches to the eyelid.

He had temporarily taken his safety glasses off to clean them.

The shard flew off sleeper housing that had been hit accidentally by a hammer being used for inserting fast clips. This was snagging work behind the p95.

The injured trackman was in close proximity to this activity and not actually using the hammer at the time.

Action to be Taken:



- ✓ **Take Responsibility** - ALWAYS use the correct tool for the job and only if you are trained, competent and authorised to do so.
- ✓ Use the fastclip insertion tool and if there are problems with the tools or they are not available, contact the works manager immediately.
- ✓ Stay out of exclusion zones unless your job requires you to be there.
- ✓ ALWAYS wear eye protection when in the vicinity of activities where the chance of flying materials/objects/sparks. If you are not sure – ASK.
- ✓ Our policy is to carry suitable eye protection and wear it as required. If you have a problem with your eye protection, report it to your supervisor immediately.
- ✓ If you see people at risk of injury – DON'T WALK BY

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2 Working Days**