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HEALTH SAFETY ENVIRONMENTAL



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Safety While Working on Decks

Recently, while employees were laying a deck module on the ground, a removable hatch portion fell, striking an employee's shoulder and leg causing injury.

Many factors go into an incident such as this one. It is important to understand and identify them in order to prevent situations such as this one from occurring again. For instance, the hatch not being identified or removed before laying the deck over to flip is something that should be avoided regarding future deck workings. Along with this, the JSEA did not have a LAW sheet tool attached and the JSEA used in this situation was also outdated. These situations, especially when combined, can have a severe impact on proper working procedures and job execution. Making sure the JSEA is up-to-date and accurate is integral to the work being done safely and properly.

In order to prevent incidents such as this one from occurring in the future, there are a few recommended actions which one can take to mitigate any future risks, such as:

- Review any materials and/or prints regarding any material being worked on.
- Utilize Current and Approved LIFE forms for any work planning.
- Inspect any tools and equipment being used for the job in order to identify any potential dropped objects and document any mitigations.
- Keep personnel out of line of fire by using larger materials and give more space for working.

Being able to follow these procedures can help make sure that future incidents such as this one do not occur again. Employee safety is of high importance when doing jobs such as these, so doing anything that mitigates the possibility of situations such as this one is of high importance.



Protecting what's important

Report all incidents immediately to the GIS Hotline 1-855-543-5163.

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