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HEALTH SAFETY ENVIRONMENTAL



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Dropped Object

A recent incident occurred offshore during a scaffold assembly. A scaffold builder was utilizing a hand saw to cut a piece of plywood on the partially assembled scaffold. The plywood slipped from their hand and fell 44' through an opening in the scaffold deck to a lower level. Fortunately the area was barricaded properly and no one was struck by the object.

ROOT CAUSES:

- Hazard of dropped plywood not identified during pre-job planning.
- Wet gloves, tools, and surfaces.

REMEMBER!

- ✓ Always have someone ground level (non-elevated) to make cuts on solid surfaces.
- ✓ When conditions change, stop work to upgrade JSEA and ensure proper mitigations are in place.
- ✓ Use dry PPE and tools, and attempt to remove excess water in work area if possible.
- ✓ Continue to barricade areas for all possible drop zones.
- ✓ Continue to utilize the Dropped Objects Checklist to assist with identifying potential hazards when working at height.



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



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