

HEALTH SAFETY ENVIRONMENTAL



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Finger Injury to an Offshore Employee

A team of three GIS employees were tasked with stacking several 4x4s in preparation bundling and positioning for a crane to pick up and place in a cargo basket.

The Injured Party (IP) had just handed off a 4x4 to two team members who were positioning the 4x4s for bundling and crane pick up. After handing off the 4x4, the IP had picked up one end of the next 4x4 in preparation for handing off to the bundling team.

As the IP swung the 4x4 into position for hand off, a coworker unexpectedly picked up the other end of the 4x4 and moved it toward the bundling team. The first 4x4 had not been laid down and the IP's right little finger was crushed between the two 4x4s.

What Happened:

- The IP Was not aware of the coworker coming up from behind to help out.
- The cowrker that was helping out did not communicate with the IP.
- Lack of Communication.

How can we prevent this from happening?

- Workers should include Communication before beginning Team activities, especially with a manual handling (Lifting) component.
- Workers should be aware of and address repetitive motions, overexertion, and awkward postures during manual handling activity.
- Ensure that the Haxard ID, JSEA, and Safe to Start Conversation are specific to the task and include all communications and activities that make up the task.





KEEP THE CONVERSATION GOING – Communication is key to staying safe from Pinch Points and Line of Fire Risks!

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