

GLOBAL SAFETY ALERT

SA 2016 /7

Hand Injuries



BRIEF DETAILS OF INCIDENTS

- ! During the first quarter of this year, 52 employees and contractors injured their hands at work. These account for 40% of our total recordable injuries
- ! These types of injuries are usually very painful. Some were so severe that 7 people needed to have time off work
- ! Cement and Readymix operations account for 60% (31) of all hand injuries
- ! Maintenance work accounted for 50% (25) and work involving hand held tools contributed to nearly 40% (20) of the incidents
- ! Several site visits have highlighted examples of people putting themselves at risk by not wearing gloves

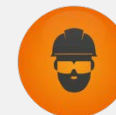
Your hands can be one of the most vulnerable parts of your body if not protected.

PREVENTING HAND INJURIES

- ✓ The CEMEX Standard for wearing gloves has been strengthened to now require them at all times as the norm in all production/operational areas.
- ✓ The only exceptions are:
 - when driving vehicles
 - while only walking on a ground level designated route
 - when carrying out non hazardous work that relies on touch sensitivity where gloves impair ability e.g. writing, using a touch sensitive key pad
 - if a risk assessment identifies the gloves create a hazard e.g. entanglement while working on a lathe
- ✓ Carry out pre-job risk assessments to determine the correct type of gloves for the task and the correct tools to use
- ✓ Promptly replace gloves when they become damaged
- ✓ Our Safety Essentials are designed to prevent injuries. Follow them at all times



Look After Yourself and Each Other



Personal Protective Equipment



Manual Handling



Tools and Equipment



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