

# UK SAFETY ALERT

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## TRUCKMIXER ROLLOVER

### DETAILS OF THE INCIDENT:

A truckmixer, operated by an independent haulage contractor, rolled over on route to a customer site. The incident occurred as the vehicle entered a sweeping right hand bend and resulted in the vehicle turning onto it's nearside, coming to rest partially on the pavement and on the public highway. Thankfully, the driver escaped with nothing more than bruising and no other parties were involved, although a pedestrian was in close proximity. The truck, valued at over £100,000, was an insurance write off.

### KEY FINDINGS:

- Driver was wearing his seat belt
- Cab was free from loose items
- Road conditions were dry & visibility good
- Driver was breathalysed at scene without issue
- Mobile phone records were not checked but driver reported no obvious distractions
- Vehicle was travelling within legal speed limit
- Vehicle entry speed of 26 mph into the corner is likely to have been the immediate cause
- Driver was unfamiliar with the route
- Vehicle did not have any reported defects



Note the pedestrian to the rear of the truck



### HOW COULD THIS HAVE BEEN AVOIDED?

- Adjust driving behaviours to the layout and conditions of the road
- Reduced entry speed into corners considering load workability & vehicle capacity

### KEY REVIEW POINTS:

- Improved driver training for specifics in operation of truck mixers and live loads
- Consider Centre of Gravity issues in live loads
- Exercise additional caution while driving if unfamiliar with routes / work areas



#### Safety Checks

Carry out your vehicle checks before driving and make sure your load is stable and secure.



#### Journey Planning

Assess the risks and plan your journey to use the safest route.



#### Seatbelts Save Lives

Wear your seatbelt and make sure any passengers do as well.



#### Watch your Speed

Keep below the limit and adjust your speed to suit road and weather conditions



#### Fit and Alert

Ensure you are fit to drive: hydrated, well rested, and free from the influence of alcohol and drugs.



#### Remember

– Your family depends on you. So drive to arrive safely at all times!

