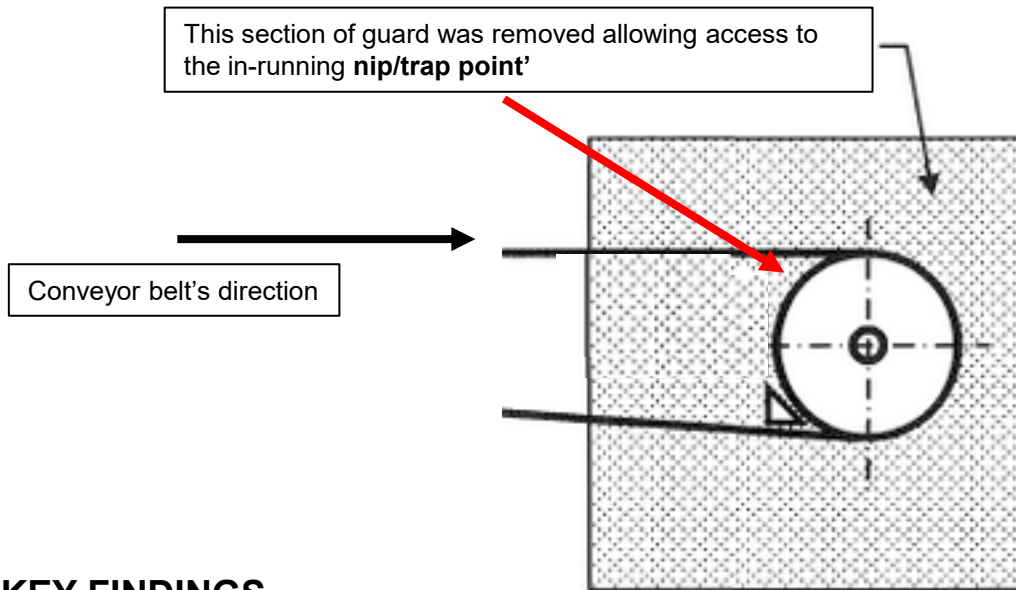


GLOBAL SAFETY ALERT

EMPLOYEE FATALLY INJURED BY CONVEYOR BELT

INCIDENT DETAILS

A control room operator at a quarry suddenly noticed in his monitor what appeared to be a person in an unusual position over a conveyor chute. He asked two workers to go to the area to see what was happening and on arrival they found an employee trapped in the conveyor at the head drum area. His arm was amputated and despite best efforts to assist him, he passed away at the scene.



KEY FINDINGS

- The conveyor belt guarding was lying on the floor and the machine had not been isolated.
- The machine guards had a design that was very easy to remove without the need of a tool (they were not bolted)
- There was no evidence that the task was properly planned, and the activity performed by the employee was not properly risk assessed.
- No specific risk assessment or standard work for the conveyor belt was in place for workers to use.
- The employee did not receive training for working on that specific conveyor belt. Standard works used for training was for other, similar conveyor belts.
- It was found that there had not been sufficient reinforcement of the correct safe practices with workers.

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MANAGERS – KEY POINTS TO CHECK

- Effective systems are in place to authorize, supervise and monitor employee and contractor work depending on the nature and complexity of the job
- Employee activities have risk assessments, robust safe systems and a valid permit to work.
- Equipment and machinery on site is inspected to ensure all safety features are in place and in working order, including well secured guards and other devices as per our company standards.
- All employees and contractors are trained and regularly reminded about Lock Out /Tag Out /Try Out and to never work with or place themselves near unguarded moving machinery.
- Managers and supervisors inspect their sites regularly and prevent / stop unsafe practices and take relevant action to prevent reoccurrence.
- All employees and contractors are trained and reminded to use the Take 5 assessment before commencing their work activities.
- Managers and supervisor encourage and coach all employees and contractors on the need to 'Step In' and stop any unsafe act.

ALL PERSONNEL – ACTION TO TAKE

- Never work with or approach unguarded moving machinery/equipment – If you see an unguarded machine or notice other missing safety features – STOP and report it to your supervisor!
- Always stop the machine and fully isolate all energies using the **LOTOTO** procedure before removing any guards
- Ensure you are authorized and trained for the activity you are about to carry out.
- Remember to Always Step In if you observe an unsafe behaviour or a hazard on site. **Take 5 Together** with the person taking a risk.
- Always Stop and Think before carrying out a task – Always **Take 5!**



Isolation
Procedures



Tools /
Equipment



Safe
Systems



Incident/
Hazard Alert



Look after yourself
and each other