

INCIDENT DETAILS

A contractor was operating a Volvo A40 articulated dumper, moving material from the excavation area to the processing facility. While turning a corner on the haul road, the vehicle began to skid on the wet surface caused by dust suppression. The driver applied the brakes, which caused the vehicle to slide further. When the vehicle reached a dry section of the road, it overturned. The operator refused to undertake a post-incident drugs and alcohol test and was subsequently removed from the site.

REVIEW POINTS FOR ALL SITES

- Review of site speed signage.
- Ensure all operators drive to the conditions and adhere to site speed limits.
- Ensure drug and alcohol testing is in line with company procedures including testing of new starters and contractors, with cause and post incident testing.
- TAKE 5 to risk assess changes to driving conditions

KEY FINDINGS

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| ✓ | The vehicle was being operated on a flat clay road that had been recently watered for dust suppression. |
| ✓ | All pre-use checks had been carried out and no faults recorded. |
| ✓ | Seatbelt was being worn. |
| ✗ | Excessive speed was a contributing factor to the rollover. |
| ✗ | The driver refused to complete a post incident D&A test |



Watch Your Speed