

INCIDENT DETAILS

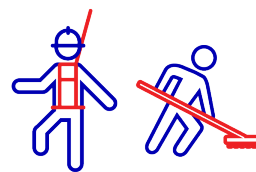
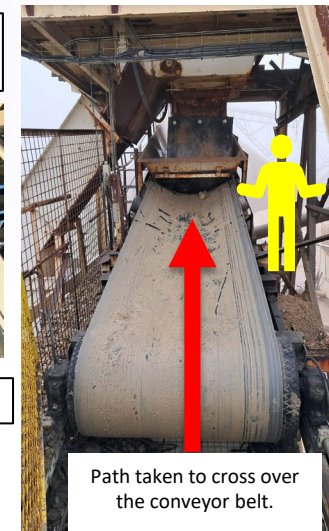
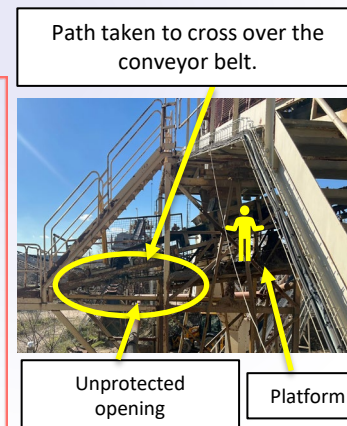
Two employees were carrying out measurements on the skirts of a conveyor belt. To access the right side, one of them removed the guarding and climbed onto the belt, which had previously been isolated, and accessed a platform located on that side. The platform, which was next to an unprotected opening, was covered with accumulated material and the employee partially cleared it before standing on it. At that moment, the platform gave way, and the employee fell 4m but was cushioned by accumulated material on the ground. Thankfully, only minor injuries were sustained.

REVIEW POINTS FOR ALL SITES

- Risk assessments are in place, and controls follow the ERICP hierarchy
- Working at height controls are followed, including harnesses, correct anchor points etc
- Take 5 requirements are known by all site personnel
- 'Alert Me'/'Step In' culture is promoted
- Structural surveys are conducted by competent persons according to local requirements
- Effective housekeeping and material spillage prevention regimes in place
- Infrequent working areas are still subject to inspections, visits etc

KEY FINDINGS

- ✗ Lack of job-specific planning, including no safe method of work in place and hierarchy of control not fully considered i.e. eliminating working at height
- ✗ No permit to work issued. Informal discussion held between the supervisor and workers in the site office
- ✗ High risk tolerance. Employees were aware of the risks and the harness requirement but not followed. Take 5 was not carried out.
- ✗ The co-worker did not alert his colleague of the risk
- ✗ The platform was not a working platform and did not have proper weightbearing capacity



Housekeeping

