

INJURIES CAUSED BY LACK OF AWARENESS TO CONDITIONS/EVENTS

In 2024 we have had two injuries caused by lack of attention to changing conditions or distraction.

First incident was a shunter driver hit by a moving door as his attention was focussed on someone else in the vicinity trying to speak with him.

Second incident was a driver exiting his cab unit but not mindful of the fact that his trailer steps were wet and therefore slipped and fell onto the floor.

Both suffered minor injuries.

When starting any task, be mindful of surroundings or if something occurs which is not usual, for example:

- Weather conditions
- Change to usual loading place/Unusual loading activities
- Ground conditions
- Is the area busier than usual – more people or traffic around?
- New product

What can start off as a normal day, can easily end up with an unexpected outcome!

Not all incidents can be foreseen but just by taking into consideration what is potentially different to your usual work pattern can help to raise your hazard awareness.

Expect the unexpected . . .



. . . .and when it happens
make sure you are not in harms way