

# NZ Safety Alert

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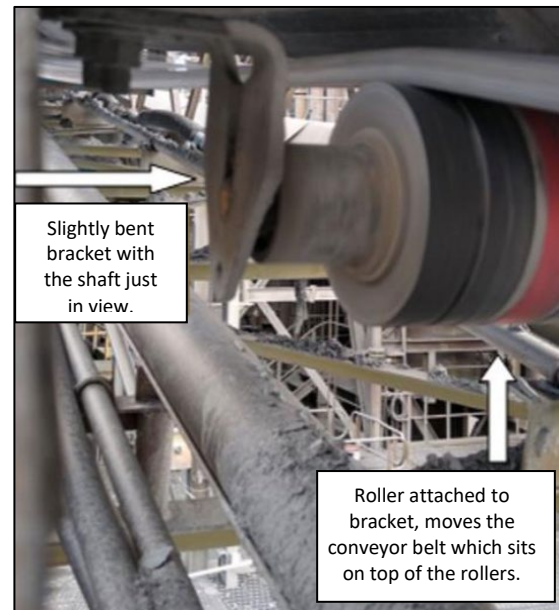
Let's work together to keep ourselves and our workers safe.

## Dislodged roller falls from height

A return roller dislodged from a conveyor during operation and fell approximately 8 metres to the ground.

There were no personnel in the area at the time of the incident. This high-potential incident was reported due to the fact that workers could have been in the area where the roller fell.

There were no retaining notches in the roller shaft, which allowed the roller to become dislodged from the bracket and fall to the ground.



[MinEx data](#) on incidents with the potential to cause harm over the past 5 years show 16% of incidents (995 incidents) result from falls, of which 379 result from fall of plant or equipment.

### You need to ensure that:

1. Regular workplace inspections are conducted to ensure work areas are cleared free from fall hazards prior to allowing access.
2. You review rollers on conveyors to ensure the correct roller spindle type is being used on each conveyor system.
3. You review how rollers are accessed for repair or replacement to ensure hazards are identified and appropriately managed.

**Know of an incident or near miss? Please share the learnings with us.**