

Safety Alert

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

Finger crushed during maintenance

A worker was conducting maintenance on a dozer when his right-hand little finger was crushed between the cutting edge and blade on the dozer.

The worker's finger required medical attention.

In recent years we have seen a significant increase in occupational injuries year on year including crush injuries, sprains, strains and broken limbs.



[MinEx statistics](#) on incidents with the potential to cause harm over the past 6 years show 16% of incidents (1,013 incidents) resulted in occupational injuries.

You need to ensure that:

1. All workers are trained and understand the importance of following safe operating procedures.
2. Adequate time is allocated for the safe completion of maintenance tasks so that workers are not rushing or taking shortcuts.
3. Regular workplace inspections are conducted to identify unsafe behaviour and other activities that could put workers at risk of harm.

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