

# Safety Alert

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

## Worker falls while fuelling plant

A worker was fuelling plant with a portable pump and hose. As he climbed down from the plant he slipped and fell to the ground, sustaining serious injuries.

The workers injuries required treatment in hospital.

Maintaining three points of contact when climbing on and from plant while carrying tools and other equipment is almost impossible.



[MinEx statistics](#) on incidents with the potential to cause harm over the past 5 years show 16% of incidents (979 incidents) result from falls of which 388 result from fall of a person.

### You need to ensure that:

1. Appropriate and safe access is available for fuelling and conducting maintenance on plant.
2. Workers are able to maintain three points of contact while accessing and exiting plant.
3. Regular workplace inspections are conducted to ensure access to plant and equipment is not putting workers at risk of injury.

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