

SERIOUS INCIDENT ALERT

SERIOUS INCIDENT INCID - 0012594

SUBJECT Contractor fell off low level mobile scaffold, breaking both elbows

INCIDENT DATE 19 October 2018

BUSINESS UNIT

1. WHAT HAPPENED?

A contractor was using an impact driver to insert a bolt and bracket into the leg of a precast T. The impact driver rotated on the bolt, the contractor leaned back. When he leaned back this caused the mobile scaffold to tip over. Not wanting to fall backwards the contractor rotated to face the floor. As he did, he put his hands out in front of himself to break his fall. The full impact of the fall and floor contact through his elbows caused them to break.



2. WHAT DID YOU DO ABOUT IT?

- Inspecting mobile scaffolds on site for correct componentry,
- Functioning wheel locks which are in use.
- Check on workers competency and comfort.
- Worksafe NZ notified and subsequently released the scene.
- 5 Whys investigation commenced.