

Type of Incident

Unsafe load

Summary of Incident

An associate was waiting for the arrival of a blade skin which he was going to mark out with chalk. While waiting for the blade skin delivery, a forklift driver was busy delivering a second set of blade skins, positioning them onto a different stack. While being loaded, one of the blade skins slid from the stack, striking and fracturing the foot of the associate who was standing nearby.

Critical Factors

- Failure to maintain a safe working environment for associates in this area
- Blade skins were being stacked too high, due to lack of storage space
- Blade skins were not secured to the pallet
- Workshop layout was poor

Corrective Actions

- Conduct a review of the workplace layout and develop an action plan to improve the safety of associates in this area. Review should consider appropriate storage locations for blade skins, and opportunities to improve pedestrian and vehicular interaction
- Consider available options to secure blade skins to pallet while being transported and stored
- Conduct safety awareness training for all people in this area, reminding them of the importance of being aware of their surroundings

Photo(s)

Congested working area



Stack of blade skins after incident

