

Operative Injured by Stihl Saw blade

SAFETY ALERT

On the night of Monday 13th July 2015 an A-one+ Operative was struck on the chin by the blade of a cut off saw. The incident occurred on the M1 Junction 25 s/b exit slip road at 22:55 hours during safety fence repairs.

The operative was cutting through the joining plates of open box beam with a fibre blade driven by a TS 420 Petrol Stihl saw. As he completed the cut, it is believed that the box beam moved slightly to trap the blade. This caused the blade to kick back and start to fragment as it struck the operative on the chin, resulting in a 50mm laceration.



This incident is being investigated. The interim actions must be taken.

- Materials being cut must be secured to prevent the cut closing during and after cutting.
- Operators must be trained in the use of abrasive wheels for mounting blades and in the use of the machine.
- Correct PPE in accordance with RAMS and COSHH assessments must be worn.
- Area 7 will be holding a Safety Stand down period to reinforce the above actions.

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