

SAFETY ALERT

The below information has been issued on behalf of the FPS to make others aware of the potential risks and possible precautions to take in order to avoid these.

Date/Time of Incident:

January 24th 2025 around 10:13 AM

Type of Incident:

Reinforcement cage falls onto the machine deck

Nature of Incident/Injury:

The worker's (victim's) left tibia is swollen

Details of Incident:

A reinforcement cage was lifted with the shackle, during the positioning phase inside the hopper, the frame came loose and bounced off the hopper, then crashed down on the right-hand deck of the drill, where the worker (victim) was standing. The frame bounced off the left tibia of the worker (victim).



Root cause (if known):

The crew doesn't use the shackle on a daily basis, but experienced users were present on site. The frame came loose from its attachment to the shackle during the lifting above the hopper, because the shackle was not completely closed. The victim was standing on the machine deck for no reason, in the line of fire of a suspended object.

Action Taken:

- Re-explain to the team the correct way to use the shackle.

- Discuss the positioning of the individual workers with the team.

Lessons Learnt:

- Never position yourself under a suspended load or object or in its line of fire.
- Use the tools as the manual describes.