

## INCIDENT ALERT

**LOCATION:** Readymix or mortar plant  
**ACTIVITY:** Maintenance & Housekeeping  
**SUB ACTIVITY:** N/A

**ALERT STATUS:** Normal  
**DATE ISSUED:** 03/02/09  
**INCIDENT No:** 00212

### TITLE

Batch Cabin and Canteen Fire

### ACCIDENT / INCIDENT DETAILS

A fire started in the Premix batcher cabin overnight. The cabin, canteen and all the contents were completely destroyed. A 5-month old truck mixer parked adjacent to the buildings was also destroyed.

Fire brigade investigations have ruled out the involvement of any ,third party™ the cause was not arson. Investigator concluded that the fire started within the batch cabin area.

### ACCIDENT / INCIDENT IMAGES



### LEARNING POINTS / ACTIONS TAKEN

The cause of the fire is believed to have been either an electrical fault or something adjacent to a heat source catching alight.

Ensure that:

- L Plug sockets are not overloaded;
- L Clothing and other flammable materials are not left on heaters to dry;
- L Work stations are kept tidy, with paper not left adjacent to computer cooling fans etc;
- L All portable appliances are switched off at the mains when not in use & overnight;
- L Portable Appliance Testing (PAT) is up to date and any faulty equipment removed;
- L Smoking is only allowed in designated areas;
- L Cigarettes & matches used in smoking areas are fully extinguished;
- L Fire risk assessments have been carried out and actions are being followed;
- L All electrical installations are visually inspected quarterly and fully inspected annually by competent persons.

### LEARNING POINTS / ACTIONS IMAGES