

Unsafe Working with Telehandler

WHAT HAPPENED

A recent near hit has highlighted that an operative was using a Telehandler bucket as a working platform.

Whilst riveting the Perspex roof sheeting onto a bike shed the operative used the bucket attached to the telehandler as a platform to gain sufficient height to perform the task.

Many accidents have occurred within the construction industry whilst performing similar tasks and standing in plant buckets. It is a legal requirement within Health and Safety law that equipment is fit for purpose i.e. buckets are not working platforms.



LEARNING POINTS / ACTIONS TAKEN

If you need to use a Telehandler for access the correct working platform attachment **MUST** be used and you must be trained to fit and operate the platform safely.



LOCATION:
ACTIVITY:
SUB ACTIVITY:

CONSTRUCTION/DELIVERY SITE
ACCESS & EGRESS & WORKING AT HEIGHT
N/A

ALERT STATUS: Normal
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