## Safety Bulletin

A serious incident has taken place



## Contact with moving machinery

Issued to: All Network Rail line managers, safety professionals and RISQS

registered contractors

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## **Overview**

On the 30 August 2017 at High Wycombe Station, an operative was seriously injured when he, sustained crush injuries from a JCB tele-handler.

The operative was working with the machine operator to lay "bog-mats" in preparation for heavy vehicle access.

Whilst positioning a section of "bog-mat", the operative became trapped at the front of the machine sustaining multiple injuries including fractures to their leg, and is currently in hospital recovering from these.

## **Discussion Points**

While we are investigating the incident please discuss the following with your team.

- How do we make sure that exclusion zones are adequate for the tasks being undertaking?
- How do we know who is responsible for maintaining the exclusion zone?
- How do we make sure that the driver understands the task they are to perform?
- How are ground and weather conditions considered before operating plant?
- How do we set up clear communication channels between the driver of the vehicle and operative on the ground?
- How would you check that the machine has been correctly maintained?
- How do you know the operator is authorised to drive the machine?

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