

Safety Bulletin

A serious incident has taken place



Dumper overturn incident

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

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Location: Wigan Springs Branch Depot

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Overview

On the 25th April 2019, a 9 Tonne dumper was transporting spoil as part of the ongoing works at Wigan Springs Branch depot.

The machine was driven up an embankment ramp and as it reached the top of the ramp the wheel closest to the edge of the bund slipped and the dumper overturned.

The dumper came to rest on its side in the cess of the Up Goods line (which was under possession).

The plant operator was contained within the cab of the dumper by the seat belt and sustained minor injuries. The dumper was safely recovered and towed clear of the cess into the depot area. A full investigation has commenced.

Discussion Points

- How are we managing temporary works including the formation of temporary bunds?
- Do your logistics plans consider plant routes including edge protection and ground stability?
- Do your logistics plans consider on-site storage for excavated materials including proximity to the operational railway?
- Are adjacent line open (ALO) plans in place and being adhered to?
- Is familiarisation with the machine included when considering plant operator competence?
- How do we ensure seat belts are being worn in the machine?