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## Infrastructure Group Safety Bulletin

### Use of "Telehandlers"

**This bulletin is for the attention of those involved with planning and executing lifting activities using Telehandlers.**

There has been a recent accident on a railway projects worksite involving a mobile **Telehandler** which was being used as a lifting appliance as part of a tandem lift with a RRV. The machine overturned causing damage to the machine and to the apparatus being lifted. There were no injuries reported.



#### Actions required:

- The use of Telehandlers in tandem lifting is prohibited.
- All tandem lifts must be supported by an approved lift plan which must be accepted by Network Rail.
- All planned lifts must be supported by a lift plan, compiled by a competent planner and included in the Works Package Plan.
- The use of a Telehandlers must be in accordance with, and within, its design limitations.
- All planning of lifts are to comply with the relevant Codes of Practice.
- If a contract lift is planned the contractor shall provide an appointed person(s), method statements, risk assessments and documentation to comply with current legislation.

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