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CONSTRUCTION

Injury Type : Fatal (non-worker)
Core Activity : Land clearing or site preparation
Location : Lower Mainland
ID Number : 2007108320038
Date of Accident : 2007-Apr

A land owner, who was not registered with WorkSafeBC, was tending a land-clearing burn pile. He was struck in the chest area by a tree stump weighing approximately 950 pounds.

Injury Type : Chest and head contusions and lacerations
Core Activity : Construction
Location : Lower Mainland
ID Number : 2007115131670
Date of Accident : 2007-Apr

A worker tripped at the top of unguarded mezzanine and fell to grade 14 feet below.

Injury Type : Head laceration
Core Activity : Formwork

Location : Lower Mainland
ID Number : 2007115131666
Date of Accident : 2007-Apr

During a concrete pour, a worker was shaking a concrete pump line that had become plugged. When the concrete suddenly released within the pipe, the line moved with a force that threw the worker up and over the adjacent guardrail. The worker subsequently fell 16 feet to grade.

Injury Type : Fractured vertebrae
Core Activity : Structural concrete forming
Location : Vancouver Island
ID Number : 2007118870332
Date of Accident : 2007-Apr

As formwork scaffolding was being repositioned, a 4x6 beam on the scaffolding fell approximately 20 feet and struck a worker. The falling beam broke the worker's hard hat.

Injury Type : Fractured ankle
Core Activity : Deck construction
Location : Lower Mainland
ID Number : 2007155260065
Date of Accident : 2007-Apr

Young worker (ages 15-24)
Worker's experience at this task is unknown

A zoom-boom rough-terrain forklift was offloading a laminated veneer beam weighing approximately 150 pounds onto a scaffold. One end of the beam was placed on the scaffold deck while the other end was being supported and lowered by a young worker on the deck. The worker suddenly dropped the end of the beam from waist height. The beam dropped onto the cross-support for the scaffold and the horizontal member snapped, causing the scaffold deck to drop. The worker slid off the deck and rode 2x10s to the ground approximately 32 feet. The worker was wearing a fall protection harness but was not connected to his lifeline. The employer had not provided adequate training and supervision and did not have a written fall protection plan as required.

Injury Type : Close call
Core Activity : Crane operation
Location : Lower Mainland
ID Number : 2007115131663
Date of Accident : 2007-Apr

A truck crane swung a pallet load of concrete roof tiles into a 25-kV overhead power line.

Injury Type : Broken ribs and pelvis, punctured lung (non-worker)
Core Activity : Steep-slope roofing
Location : BC
ID Number : 2007130680064
Date of Accident : 2007-Apr

A self-employed roofer (not registered with WorkSafeBC) was on a steep residential roof removing roof tiles before re-roofing. The roofer fell approximately 20 feet from an area of the roof to ground level. In addition, asbestos-containing roof tiles were being removed without safe asbestos abatement procedures.

Injury Type : Broken bones in arms, impact injuries to face
Core Activity : Drywall installation
Location : Lower Mainland
ID Number : 2007157550118
Date of Accident : 2007-Apr

A worker was taping drywall, working from a baker's scaffold. It appears that a wheel on the scaffold broke, and he fell to the cement floor. The scaffold did not meet safety standards, and the worker was working alone without orientation or supervision.

Injury Type : Concussion
Core Activity : Framing
Location : Central Interior
ID Number : 2007143950080
Date of Accident : 2007-Apr

Young worker (ages 15-24)
More than 2 years' experience at this task

A worker was on the second level of a building removing a 2x4 approximately 12 feet long attached to the exterior of a window opening. The board fell and struck the head of a young worker below. The horizontal 2x4 and two upright 2x4s were part of a guardrail system that had been used on the second level.

Injury Type : Close call
Core Activity : Construction
Location : Vancouver Island
ID Number : 2007118870320
Date of Accident : 2007-Apr

A powered concrete finishing trowel on a wheeled dolly was struck by mobile equipment. The dolly then rolled down an underground parking ramp and struck a scaffolding system. The scaffolding partially collapsed, resulting in a worker being restrained on the scaffolding system.

Injury Type : Fractured wrists
Core Activity : Drywall installation
Location : BC
ID Number : 2007143950075
Date of Accident : 2007-Apr

Three workers were moving 10-foot sheets of drywall up to a second-level landing that was 10 feet above the main level. Two of the workers stood on the landing while the third worker passed the drywall sheets up to them. One worker lost his balance and fell from the landing to the main level. The guardrail had been removed for this work activity, but no other fall protection system had been provided.