

**Network Rail  
Operations  
Staff RTC 06/12/2015 M27**

**Incident Details**

**Date:** 06/12/2015

**Time:** 05:40am

**Location:** M27 Between Jcn 1 and 2 near Southampton

**Task:** Travelling to Depot at end of shift

**Employee:** CRE Operatives

**Equipment Involved:** Messing Van

**Injuries Sustained:** Bruising and Whiplash  
Injuries

**Incident Classification:** Resulted in time away from work



Initial Tyre Blowout.  
Side Wall Failure  
(Driver Side Rear)



Tyre failure caused vehicle to swerve into the central reservation and this collision caused vehicle to swerve over to hard shoulder. Picture shows body work damage to vehicle due to the collision plus front wheel damage due to same collision.



**Immediate and Underlying Causes**

**Immediate Cause:**

**Rear Driver's side tyre blow out**

**Underlying Causes: Possible Side wall of Tyre Faulty or damaged**

Staff were travelling back from site at the end of their shift. Whilst travelling on the M27 motorway, the rear driver's side tyre blew out causing the vehicle to veer towards the central reservation. The vehicle collided with the Armco and this collision caused the vehicle to then veer towards the hard shoulder where the driver managed to bring the vehicle to a halt. The vehicle had been inspected before the journey started and no defects were reported. The vehicle had been MOT'd a month previously. The tyres are all relatively new looking.

Both members of staff suffered bruising at the time. Subsequently they have both been to seek medical advice and have been signed off with whiplash type injuries.

**Use the Wessex apps  
vehicle pre use check form**

Forms

Vehicle: FN12UCU-PEUGEOT EXPERT L2 1200

Vehicle Mileage:

Is the vehicle exterior free from visible damage? If not, has this been reported to the driver helpline:

Yes No

Comments

Is this vehicle clean in appearance:

Yes No

Comments



**Next Steps:**

- Although Vehicle checks are taking place, - Staff must use the daily inspection pre use sheets to record the inspections or the pre - use app rather than just the vehicle log book.

