

**Network Rail
Operations
Staff accident - Manual Handling
Incident - 29th November 2015**

Incident Details

Date: Sunday 29th November 2015
Time: 04:30 am
Location: Durnsford Rd Staff Halt access

Task: Rail grinding
Employee: Welding team, Wimbledon
Equipment Involved: Half Trolley
Injuries Sustained: Strain/sprain in back
Incident Classification: Resulted in time away from work



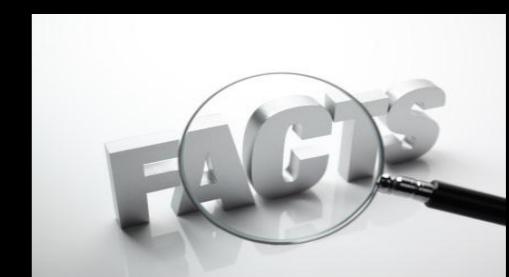
Immediate and Underlying Causes

Immediate Cause:
Strained back removing equipment from track

Underlying Causes:
Having to turn/twist to remove equipment from track.
Not using/being unable to use access provided.

As a result of the accident, the injured person spent time away from work.

-Completed work and was removing equipment from the track.
-2 man lift to remove equipment from track and place back in van
-injury occurred as welder twisted to manoeuvre equipment past railings alongside the walking route.
-Felt a strain/sprain in welders back
-No hospital treatment required, welder failed to report accident at first and notified manager 2 days later regarding the accident.



Next Steps:

- Welding manager and WHSEA to review as to whether or not the access is suitable for equipment loading/unloading.
- All staff to be briefed(briefing notice) regarding the importance of calling in accidents as soon as they take place.

