

Safety Bulletin

A serious incident has taken place



Ankle break on Emergency Speed Restriction board

Issued to: **Wessex Route**

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Location: Guildford up sidings

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Overview

P-Way were in the process of erecting an Emergency Speed Restriction. Injured person was stood in the sidings and was asked to get an Emergency Speed restriction equipment part from the van. As he turned, he stood on a speed board which had been left on the ground. His ankle turned and he fell to the ground in pain. The team took injured person to Guildford A&E and it was confirmed via X-Ray that injured person had broken his ankle. Injured person must return to Guildford A&E for further assessment.

Discussion Points

- Are your sites of work kept tidy and free from obstructions while you are carrying out your work? You may be creating your own hazards
- Would you Close Call untidy work sites? Remember, Close Call is there as a tool to raise awareness of potential accidents/incidents

- Are you and your teams aware of your surroundings at all times? Don't just think of trackside, Depots and offices have plenty of potential for tripping accidents

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