

## IMDM OUTER

**Title:** Staff Accident; Rail turned onto an employee's foot      **Injury:** Broken Metatarsals

### Incident

On the 27th of March 2019 at 01:15hrs hours, a P/Way team member based at Bournemouth Maintenance depot was working at Woodfidley LC (Beaulieu Road) where he sustained an injury from a rail being turned whilst standing in the 4 foot.

This was caused when a member of the GPX Welders team moved a piece of scrap rail in the 4 foot.

When the member of the Welding team moved the rail, he failed to check that everyone was clear, nor did he give a warning call informing those around him what he was about to do.

Subsequently the rail was turned on its side trapping the member of staffs' right foot.

The member of staff was escorted off site and then onto A&E where he had X-rays.

It was confirmed that he had sustained broken second and third metatarsal on his right foot. The IP was fitted with a boot and then returned home, hospital staff have advised heal time is approximately 2 months.



### Lessons Learnt

- The importance of remaining vigilant at all times and the importance of warning others in your work site when moving rails
- Any team manual handling should be properly co-ordinated and the person in charge should control all the movements
- Remember to report any defects that may affect the safety of the line or safety of others using that specific area of the infrastructure through the WICC

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