

SAFETY ALERT



TITLE: WorkSafe Notifiable Incidents

Number: 84

Background

On 27 February, an FPC contractor's vehicle was travelling along an unsealed gravel road, rounded a blind corner with kangaroo on the road, worker took evasive action, tail of vehicle slid into deep wheel rut on edge of road causing the vehicle to roll. Luckily the driver sustained minor injuries and was taken to hospital and treated.

This was a WorkSafe notifiable incident as injury was sustained. Section 36 of the Work Health and Safety (WHS) Act 20 specifies what a serious injury or illness is.

If you are unsure whether an incident is WorkSafe notifiable contact WorkSafe on 1800 678 198

Under the WHS Act Part 3 Section 38 Duty to notify of notifiable incidents:

- (1) A person who conducts a business or undertaking must ensure that the regulator is notified immediately after becoming aware that a notifiable incident arising out of the conduct of the business or undertaking has occurred.

Penalty for this subsection:

- (a) Individual \$12,500
- (b) Body Corporate \$55,00

- (2) The notice must be given –
 - (a) By telephone; or
 - (b) In writing