

Marine Safety Flash

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Severe Hand injury – Rotating Machinery

Incident Overview

A newly installed generator was started without belt guards in place. The IP's finger got caught by the V-belt which resulted in fracture and deep laceration to the index finger. The potential could have been loss of finger/hand.



Key Findings

- Guards not in place.
- Lack of Risk Assessment, Permit to Work and Tool-Box talk.
- Lack of lock-out tagging of machinery.
- Lack of management assessment and involvement in non-routine job.

Recommendations

- Risk Assessment, Permit to Work and Tool-Box talk are carried out
- Tag out machinery without safety equipment in place
- Inspect and install safety guards before start up



An investigation into the incident is ongoing.