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Ironman lifting incident

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Overview

On 3 June 2015 an incident occurred during a lifting operation involving a Permaquip ironman. Whilst lifting a 60ft length of rail a bolt in the pull lift sheared causing the rail to fall to the ground.

An investigation has commenced to establish the root cause.



Permaquip ironman equipment

Immediate Action Required

When using Permaquip ironman equipment to undertake a lifting operation, individuals must ensure they stand clear of the suspended load.

Supervisors and managers of work involving ironmen should make sure that all of their team know of the failure and understand why they must stand clear of the rail throughout its whole length.

Further information will be published when the initial investigation has been concluded.

Source: Network Rail