

Struck-By Hazards in Construction

Fatality File



Employee Strikes Head and is Killed

At 10:30 a.m. on January 28, 2016, an employee was loading a small roller/compactor onto a trailer (lowboy). The employee didn't have the machine positioned on the trailer straight and while attempting to correct the location of the roller, he over-compensated and caused the machine to roll over the edge of the trailer.

The employee was not wearing a seatbelt, and had never loaded a roller onto a trailer prior to the accident. The employee was struck on the head as the machine fell. It is believed the employee's head struck the ground, or that he struck the trailer when the roller fell from it, (this could not be determined). The employee was killed from the head injury.

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