

## Worker Struck by Thrown Object

### What happened?

At approximately 1715 on 09/08/2020 the Injured person (IP) and co-workers were packing down. The co-worker has thrown the IP's lunchbox containing a metal flask from the top of stairs.

The IP failed to catch it and it struck him in the face above his left eye, despite reportedly wearing his hard hat and glasses.

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### What did we learn?

#### Root Cause:

Failure to risk assess an activity due to it being an unplanned unsanctioned event.

#### Contributing Factors:

- Potential for dropped lunch box to contact the individual was not properly considered or acted upon.
- Lunch bag has been dropped in contravention of best industry practice and company guidelines.



Re-enactment of activity at  
access  
stairs and landing