

Hazard Alert



Hazard Summary

Fall from Truck

A worker fell from the top of a truck tank and was fatally injured.

The worker was not using any fall protection and fell over 3 metres from the top of the truck as he was accessing the hatch to fill the tank. The worker sustained a head injury and was taken to the health center where he died as a result of the injury.

Safe Work Practices

Fall Protection

All workers in the Northwest Territories and Nunavut who work at heights of 3 metres or more, without standard guardrails, must wear CSA approved fall protection equipment. This includes the top of trucks where the height is over 3 metres. A means of protecting the worker from a fall must also be in place if the height is under 3 metres and there is a risk of injury.

You can prevent falls by:

- Planning and implementing a fall protection plan;
- Ensuring workers receive proper training on the use of all PPE.

Safety Act and Regulations

NWT and Nunavut *Occupational Health & Safety Regulations*

Section 119.(1): An employer shall ensure that workers use a fall protection system at a work site if (a) a worker could fall 3 m or more; or (b) there is a risk of injury if a worker falls less than 3 m.

NWT and Nunavut *Mine Regulations*.

Section 8.11. (1) Subject to subsection (5), where a person is exposed to the hazard of falling more than 3 m, a fall arresting device shall be provided to the person and he or she shall use the device.

For more information on fall protection and working at heights refer to Sections 103-109 and 118-122 of the NWT and Nunavut *Occupational Health & Safety Regulations*, and the WSCC Code of Practice on *Fall Protection PPE*.



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