

Driver Injury – Fall whilst closing sliding roof

What Happened:

- Approximately 1200hrs – A sub contractor haulier was attempting to close his trailer roof from floor level on a exterior loading bay apron.
- Whilst undertaking this activity he states his hand slipped from the roof pole causing him to twist and fall to the ground.
- The fall resulted in a fractured left ankle.



Findings:

- The IP had hooked his roof pole onto the wire release cord which is the **INCORRECT** method
- Floor surface is concrete and is in good condition
- Full PPE was worn, anti slip boots and roof pole in good condition.
- IP had driven the trailer outside onto the apron outside the loading bay.

Actions:

- ✓ Only pull on roof using the proper tabs, **NEVER PULL ROOF CLOSED USING RELEASE CORD!!**
- ✓ Trailer had ropes and straps attached to release cord and roof struts. Although not the cause in this incident, any ropes or straps connected to the roof or release cord **MUST BE REMOVED** immediately