



## Truck driver struck in the face by piece of wood

### INCIDENT

A truck driver was knocked unconscious while he was attempting to free a piece of wood jammed between the dual wheels of a logging trailer unit.

### CIRCUMSTANCES

The driver was attempting to remove the piece of wood when the tyre blew out, causing an injury to his head.

### INVESTIGATION

The investigation determined that the accident was caused by:

1. A piece of wood possibly picked up on a logging skid site
2. Travelling some distance with the wood lodged between the tyres, causing damage to the tyre
3. Attempting to remove by hand.

### DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR ADVICE

Place a bar between the jammed object and the wheel hub and drive the truck in the appropriate direction.

### TO WHICH INDUSTRIES/SECTORS OR MATTERS WILL THIS INFORMATION BE RELEVANT?

- Forestry
- Mobile Plant
- Transport

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