

INCIDENT ALERT

LOCATION: On-Highway

ALERT STATUS: Normal

ACTIVITY: Maintenance & Housekeeping

DATE ISSUED: 15/06/10

SUB ACTIVITY: N/A

INCIDENT No: 00266

TITLE

Road White Lining

ACCIDENT / INCIDENT DETAILS

A road marking operative was seriously injured in an unexpected explosion whilst undertaking routine white lining activities.

The explosion occurred when the operative pushed a pedestrian thermoplastic pram (manually operated, gas fed pram which has a naked flame) towards a British Telecom chamber, which had become contaminated with natural gas.

ACCIDENT / INCIDENT IMAGES

LEARNING POINTS / ACTIONS TAKEN

Take extra care during the initial site risk assessment and consider the potential presence of gas.

Stop or do not commence any hot works where there is a suspected gas leak (odour or noise)

All lining works near ironworks MUST be applied by hand.

Flame retardant PPE (including trousers) MUST be worn at all times when conducting any works which involve a naked flame.

All personnel are also reminded to report ,Near Hit™ incidents, no matter how minor they may appear, including any suspected gas leaks (odour or noise).

(see additional pdf for further information)

LEARNING POINTS / ACTIONS IMAGES