Unsafe Working with Telehandler

WHAT HAPPENED

A recent near hit has highlighted that an operative was using a Telehandler bucket as a working platform.

Whilst riveting the Perspex roof sheeting onto a bike shed the operative used the bucket attached to the telehandler as a platform to gain sufficient height to perform the task.

Many accidents have occurred within the construction industry whilst performing similar tasks and standing in plant buckets. It is a legal requirement within Health and Safety law that equipment is fit for purpose i.e. buckets are not working platforms.



LEARNING POINTS / ACTIONS TAKEN

If you need to use a Telehandler for access the correct working platform attachment MUST be used and you must be trained to fit and operate the platform safely.



LOCATION:	**CONSTRUCTION/DELIVERY SITE**	**ALERT STATUS:**	**Normal**
ACTIVITY:	**ACCESS & EGRESS & WORKING AT HEIGHT**	**DATE ISSUED:**	**08/01/2013**
SUB ACTIVITY:	**N/A**	**INCIDENT No:**	**00353**