Fatal 5 - TRANSPORT - RUNAWAY - A concrete mixer truck rolled away, striking and injuring the driver.

WHAT HAPPENED

During a delivery to a client's CDM site a concrete mixer driver exited the vehicle cab. Whilst the driver was out of the cab the mixer truck rolled forward striking the driver before finally coming to a rest against a tree.

The incident is currently under investigation and although the details as to the cause of the 'roll away' are yet to be established, all are reminded that prior to a driver exiting a vehicle.

- the handbrake is applied.
- vehicle is taken out of gear (on automatic vehicle 'Park' is selected).
- engine switched off (unless operational requirements prevent this).

A number of runaways have already been highlighted as incident alerts this year and MPA has issued a Hot Topic to help raise awareness of the importance of following Safe Stop procedures. Please follow this link to view the MPA Safe Stop Hot Topic.

LEARNING POINTS / ACTIONS TAKEN

Further Consideration:

- 1. Drivers to always check the hand brake warning light is illuminated, indicating the hand brake is engaged when parked.
- 2. Any Parking area, is it flat? If not, can another area be used, or additional anti roll devices be used?
- 3. Trailers There is a 'roll away' risk for trailers that have been uncoupled from the towing vehicle. Ensure trailers are parked on a level surface, with trailer brake applied.
- 4. Please share the 'Safe Stop' information with your colleagues



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ACTIVITY: TRANSPORT & LOGISTICS / DELIVERY

SUB ACTIVITY: BRAKES AND RUNAWAYS

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