



SAFETY ALERT & BULLETIN OF THE MONTH

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Log Truck Incident

AOM: 2021-11-03



On November 2nd, 2021, a school bus was struck by logs from a log truck in Barrhead, Alberta. The media reports indicate overhanging logs on the back of the trailer swung out as it was turning left and struck the bus which was stopped at the intersection. The logs went through a window and dislodged some unoccupied seats.

The school bus occupants and the log truck driver were not seriously injured however one student was taken to hospital with a probable concussion. According to RCMP, the driver is facing charges for the vehicle being overweight and improperly loaded.



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Log Truck Safety Information:

- Ensure truck and trailer are in good working order with thorough pre-trip inspections and regular maintenance.
- Ensure each load is properly loaded and secured. Don't leave the loading area until you have inspected the load and are satisfied it is safe.
- Be aware of the in-tracking of trailers and any logs that may act like sweepers.
- Do not operate an overweight vehicle.
- Stop and check the load before entering public roads.
- Be vigilant, particularly on busy public roads.



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BCFSC Bulletin - News and Updates

BCFSC Latest News & Resources

[New Wood Products Manufacturing Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment Training](#) – Free, interactive online training for sawmills and other wood products manufacturing operations.

[New Hazard and Risk Video](#) – A short video that explains the difference between hazards and risks.

[Healthy Worker Resources- Alcohol](#) – BCSFC has developed a posters, crew talks and backgrounder to help workers learn about safe limits for alcohol.

BCFSC Training:

Upcoming Classroom Training

December 3 | [Basic Incident Investigation – Campbell River](#)

This course provides a basic understanding of the methods, tools, and processes needed to conduct an incident investigation.

December 15 | [Joint Health and Safety Committee Training – Campbell River](#)

This course provides Joint Health and Safety Committee (JHSC) fundamentals for both forestry harvesting operations and wood products manufacturing operations.

Refer to the [Training section of our website](#) for more information on upcoming classroom training and costs.

Online Training

BCFSC offers a wide selection of free online training courses: Basic Forest Worker, Phase Congestion, Professional Industry Driver, Resource Road Driver, Serious Incident Investigation and more. Click here to self-enroll: [Online Learning Centre – BC Forest Safety Council](#)



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Worker Assessment and Training

Each forestry occupation requires different knowledge and skillsets to perform the job at hand. BCFSC worked with industry to develop competency-based standards, training and assessment tools to help employers evaluate workers and complete on-the-job training.

Check out our [FREE online training and assessment forms](#) for Basic Forest Workers, Yarding, Mechanized Harvesting and Road Building.



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