



SAFETY ALERT & BULLETIN OF THE MONTH

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Truck Rollovers

AOM: 2022-08-19

Recently, there have been three serious rollover incidents reported by WorkSafeBC:

Injury Type: Fractures, injuries to lower body

Core Activity: Log hauling / Integrated forest management

Location: Vancouver Island/Coastal B.C.

Date of Incident: 2022-Jul

The driver of a loaded log transporter lost control of the vehicle on a private forestry road. The tractor rolled over onto the driver side, spilling the load of logs on the downslope of the road. The driver, who was pinned inside the cab, was extricated by the fire department and transported to hospital by air ambulance.

Injury Type: Bump on head, scrapes, bruises

Core Activity: Log hauling / Integrated forest management

Location: Vancouver Island/Coastal B.C.

Date of Incident: 2022-Jul

A log transporter with no load veered off a resource road onto the shoulder. The log transporter rolled onto its passenger side and down a steep embankment. The driver received first aid on site and was transported to hospital.

Injury Type: Fatal

Core Activity: Dump truck operation

Location: Northern B.C.

Date of Incident: 2022-May

As a tandem-axle dump truck with no load travelled on a forest service road, it went onto the soft shoulder of the road and rolled down an embankment. The driver of the truck was fatally injured.





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Meet with your crews and discuss the following safety considerations:

- Many rollovers are the result of travelling too fast for the road conditions, load characteristics or driver experience.
- [Watch this video](#) on the importance of wearing seatbelts and how they can prevent injuries during rollover incidents.
- Watch the road shoulders for soft or loose material, wash outs and large rocks which can all contribute to incidents.
- Misjudging the road conditions, road width or curves can lead to rollovers. Adjust your speed to allow more time to make good assessments of the road.
- Inattention or distraction can take your eyes off what is in front of you. It only takes a second to drift to the side of the road when you are not watching.
- Every load is different and the change in weight and centre of gravity can cause significant changes in the stability and handling of your truck.



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BCFSC Bulletin - News and Updates

BCFSC Latest News & Resources

[Training Course Catalogue](#) – We have a new look to our Course Catalogue. Keep your safety training current and find courses easily with our new filterable course catalogue.

Vancouver Island Safety Conference – Save the Date! The Vancouver Island Safety Conference returns in-person on Saturday, October 29th, 2022 at the Nanaimo Conference Centre. [Register today](#) and save your spot for this FREE safety conference.

[Leadership in Safety Awards Nominations](#) – Nominations for leaders in forestry safety are now open. Your nomination can be an individual, crew, team, division, contractor, company, supplier, consultant, trainer, etc. that deserves to be recognized for outstanding safety leadership or achievements. Award recipients are showcased during the VISC Conference which returns this year on Saturday, October 29th in Nanaimo. [Visit Leadership in Safety Awards](#) for more information.

[WorkSafeBC - New Requirements for Refusing Unsafe Work](#) - Workers' ability to refuse work if they believe it's unsafe is a fundamental right. Recent amendments to the OHS Regulation clarify this right, and employers are now required to inform workers about a previous work refusal before reassigning the refused work.

[BCFSC Webinar – Tips to Successfully Transition into Supervisor](#), Thursday, November 17, 2022 from 2:00pm – 3:00pm (PST). Register for this valuable webinar on how to transition into a Supervisor hosted by facilitator Shannon Overland. Principal Consultant at Dekra Insights.

[BCFSC Annual Report](#) and [Ombudsperson Report](#) – the 2021 BCFSC Annual Report and Ombudsperson Report is now available on our website. Read them online or download a copy.

BCFSC Training:

Upcoming Classroom Training

September 15-16 | [Forest Supervisor Due Diligence – Prince George](#)

This two-day classroom workshop will equip supervisors with knowledge of their legal responsibilities and how to prove due diligence.

September 22-23 | [Forest Supervisor Due Diligence – Campbell River](#)

This two-day classroom workshop will equip supervisors with knowledge of their legal responsibilities and how to prove due diligence.



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September 22 | [Basic Incident Investigation – Cranbrook](#)

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

September 23 | [Basic Incident Investigation – Nelson](#)

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

September 26-30 | [Falling Supervisor – Prince George](#)

Participants will learn the roles and responsibilities of a falling supervisor and will become familiar with processes used by a falling supervisor to support their due diligence.

October 7 | [Basic Incident Investigation – Vernon](#)

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

October 13 | [Forest Supervisor Due Diligence – Kamloops](#)

This two-day classroom workshop will equip supervisors with knowledge of their legal responsibilities and how to prove due diligence.

October 13 | [Forest Supervisor Communication – Prince George](#)

This one-day classroom workshop will help supervisors and managers improve their communication skills at work.

October 14 | [Forest Supervisor Leadership and Professionalism – Prince George](#)

This one-day classroom workshop will help participants understand their strengths and weaknesses, and to recognize how their personal style impacts the workers they supervise.

October 17-21 | [Falling Supervisor – Nelson](#)

Participants will learn the roles and responsibilities of a falling supervisor and will become familiar with processes used by a falling supervisor to support their due diligence.

October 20 | [Forest Supervisor Communication – Campbell River](#)

This one-day classroom workshop will help supervisors and managers improve their communication skills at work.

October 21 | [Forest Supervisor Leadership and Professionalism – Campbell River](#)

This one-day classroom workshop will help participants understand their strengths and weaknesses, and to recognize how their personal style impacts the workers they supervise.

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





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Online Training

Phase Congestion Training – This free interactive online training course is available to help supervisors and workers better understand how to safely integrate phases and prevent phase congestion. The training provides realistic logging scenarios and was developed with the input of industry experts. Click here to self-enroll: [Online Learning Centre – BC Forest Safety Council](#)

Wood Products Manufacturing Supervisor Training Program – The complete set of six free online courses for the Wood Products Manufacturing Supervisor Training Program are now all available at no charge for BC forest companies. Click here to self-enrol: [Online Learning Centre – BC Forest Safety Council](#)

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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