

Safety Alert



Subject:	Walking on Logs
Date:	June 2023







Incident Summary:

Incident 1: Worker was walking on a log deck and the deck shifted; the operator subsequently fell into a hole in the deck. Then two logs rolled onto the worker at the waist and pinned them resulting in a broken pelvis.

Incident 2: Worker was walking on the Dryland sort deck and stepped onto a 12-inch fir log rather than walking around. They subsequently slipped and fell on their extended right hand, fracturing their wrist.

Potential Hazards:

- Crush injury from logs.
- ➤ Injury from fall off log.

Photo:



Preventative Actions:

- Review incident with all workers.
- > Avoid walking on logs unless a requirement of the job.
- ➤ A **risk assessment** is **always** required when walking on a single log or a deck of logs. Be aware of changing log deck stability.
- Caulk boots are to be always worn when walking on logs as per WorkSafe BC Regulation 8(23)(2)