

MANUFACTURING SAFETY ALERT

Ask Yourself
“Could it happen here?”

DESCRIPTION OF EVENT

Lost Time Injury - Hand Injury Incident

A worker was getting measurements from boards at an outfeed.

As the worker collected two boards from the bin with their hand, more boards dropped on to the outfeed and struck the employee’s hand against the bin wall.



SUGGESTED ACTIONS

1. Require workers to use a tool when collecting boards from the bin.
2. Add an outfeed belt stop button to eliminate boards from dropping out into the bin when getting boards to measure.
3. Conduct a hazard assessment to assess similar areas on site where boards are collected for QC purposes.
4. Develop a procedure for collecting boards for measurement/QC purposes that applies to all process areas.

IMPORTANT TAKE AWAY

Ensure QC workers use safe procedures when collecting boards for measurements. This may include stopping the process while the boards are collected.

