

# SAFETY ALERT



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## WORKING ON TRACK WITH PLANT/MACHINERY

Recently, 2 railway employees were killed while working on track in Queensland

This incident occurred while a coal train was passing the worksite on an adjacent line. The workers were involved in tamping operations and were stuck by a track machine.

This incident is still under investigation.

This accident highlights the dangers of working around Plant and Machinery

**It is highly essential that all employees, when working on or about the track, where Machinery/Plant is involved (both on and off track) remain alert at all times**

### REMEMBER TO:-

- STAY ALERT AT ALL TIMES
- BEWARE OF THE LOCATION AND MOVEMENT OF PLANT/MACHINERY
- MAKE EYE CONTACT WITH THE OPERATORS OF PLANT AND MACHINERY BEFORE ENTERING "THEIR WORKSPACE"
- BE AWARE OF ADJACENT LINE WORKINGS – IN MULTIPLE TRACK AREAS, A ONE TRACK SEPARATION TO BE IMPLEMENTED. IN DUALTRACK AREAS, DEMARCATION FENCING TO BE UTILISED

### ACTION REQUIRED

- Advise and discuss with all employees under your control this Safety Alert
- Place the Safety Alert on display
- Ensure a "sign-off" (for example, a Team Safety Meeting record) is obtained to verify that employees have been briefed on this Safety Alert