



Australian Rail Track Corporation Ltd

SAFETY ALERT

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BE ON THE LOOKOUT

Over recent months, there have been several incidents, where collisions have occurred between vehicles, plant and equipment.

The resulting damage has ranged from minor to major

Investigations have revealed varying contributing factors

These have included:-

- Poor housekeeping
- Poor job planning – failure to utilise the TAKE FIVE principals
- Lack of concentration
- Lack of communication



All employees need to “Be on the Lookout” at all times. Especially when working with plant and equipment and at times involving multiple worksites, for example, during possessions

- Keep work-sites clean and tidy. Park work vehicles away from work-sites, especially those with machinery being used. Store plant and equipment after it has been used
- Proper job planning – risk assess what is going to happen on the work-site, especially those work-sites utilising plant and equipment or with vehicle movements. If required, utilise a “Spotter” to control vehicle and plant movements
- Remain focused at all times, especially if you are driving a vehicle or operating a piece of equipment
- Communication – ensure that controls being put in place to eliminate or reduce the risk of incidents involving vehicles, plant and equipment are properly communicated to all employees on the work-site

ACTION TO BE TAKEN

- Advise all employees under your control of 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.