

Subject: CHANGING BUCKETS ON MINI-DIGGERS

What's Happened?

An operative suffered an injury to his leg, while trying to remove the securing pin from the bucket of a mini digger

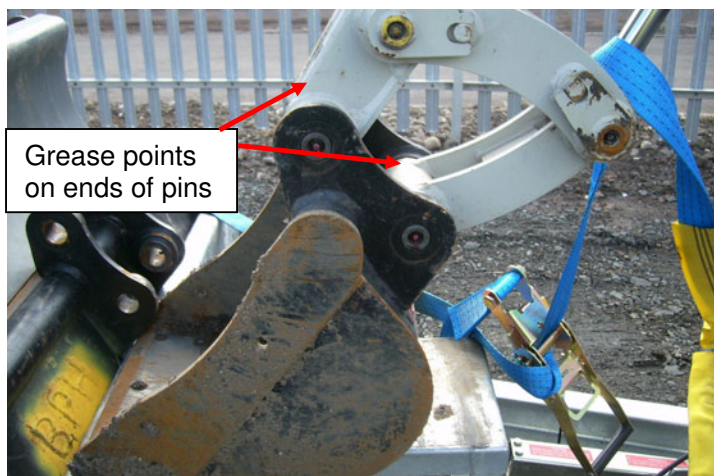
How Did It Happen?

The pin had become seized within the steel bush, the operative was hammering out the pin, and a piece of steel was ejected from the end of the pin. This piece of steel then became embedded in his leg

Recommendations and Lessons to be learnt

- The 2 securing pins must be lubricated twice a day with a grease gun as per the manufacturers guidelines, all other grease points should be lubricated weekly.
- The grease gun is located in a secure cabinet on the right hand side of the machine, the lock opens with the machine ignition key.
- When lubricated these pins should be easily moved by hand.
- If the pins become seized, contact your supervisor immediately.

DO NOT USE FORCE TO REMOVE THESE PINS



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