

# Hazard Alert



## Seat Belt

### Hazard Summary

A construction worker was seriously injured when the construction equipment the worker was operating rolled over. The worker was not using a seatbelt at the time of the incident.

### Hazard Location

A Powered mobile equipment.

### Contributing Factors

- The construction equipment operator was not wearing a seatbelt
- The worker was injured when thrown outside the safety of the Rollover Protective Structure (ROPS)

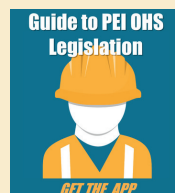
### Recommendations

- Make sure all powered equipment operators are wearing seatbelts or approved restraining devices at all times while operating construction equipment
- Make sure seat belts and restraining devices are in proper working order at all times
- Make sure all Rollover Protective Structures (ROPS) are designed to protect the operator from being crushed in the event of a rollover
- Make sure operators are properly orientated in the use and limits of the equipment they are operating
- Make sure all operators have training in what to do in the event of an equipment rollover



#### Legislated Requirements

PEI's Occupational Health and Safety Regulations Section 33.6(3) states that, "The operator of and passengers on powered mobile equipment shall use the seatbelts and restraining devices provided while the equipment is in motion."



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