

Loader Accident Injures Worker

Placer Mining Industry

A loader operator received head and neck injuries while operating a loader without using the seatbelt.

The loader brakes failed so the operator dropped the bucket to stop the loader. The bucket dug in and stopped the loader suddenly. The operator hit his head on the windshield.



The accident resulted from faulty brakes on the loader. The injury resulted because the operator was not wearing the supplied seat belt.

The *Occupational Health and Safety Act* 3(1)(2) requires that the employer ensures that machinery and equipment are in safe condition.

The General Safety Regulations section 70(1) requires that mobile equipment be equipped with seat belts and that operators use them.

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