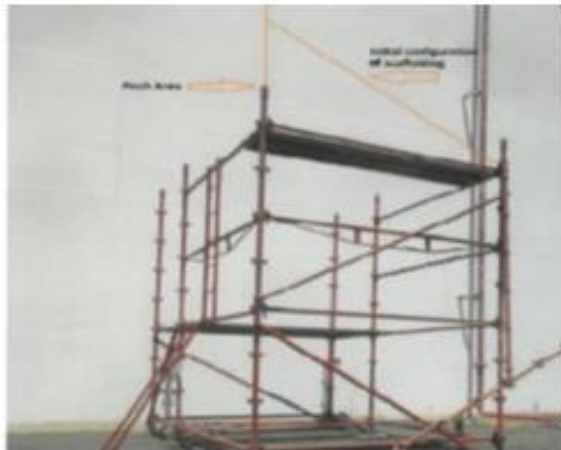


Incident Learning: What happened?

On 4 December 2019 at approximately 10:50am, an employee was dismantling a 9m high scaffold and proceeded to remove a 4m upright that was attached to the brace. The employee struggled to remove the nuts from the brace and sprayed it with Q20 to loosen it. While attempting to loosen the nuts, they stripped and the employee decided to pull out the upright with the brace still attached to relieve the tension on the brace

In the process of lifting the upright, the employee lost control of it with the brace still attached on the other side causing the left thumb to get pinched between the two uprights, resulting in a laceration



What are the learnings for implementation?

- Always apply Loss Prevention System
- When conditions change always apply Stop Work Authority and re-asses the risk.

Immediate action taken:

- The job was immediately stopped.
- The incident was reported to the Supervisor and the employee was taken to the site clinic.
- The clinic referred the employee to Mediclinic for further treatment where the employee received stitches.