

## *Caught-In or Between*

Caught-In or Between injuries result from being squeezed, caught, crushed, pinched or compressed between two or more objects and can result in serious injury, amputations or even death. This Tool Talk is to help understand the risks and ways to avoid caught-in/between injuries.

### Three most common types of Caught-In or Between:

1. Pinned in-between.
2. Unguarded machinery.
3. Buried in or by.

### Incident Analysis: Pinned-in-Between injury:

A worker was injured recently when he was pinned between the front of an SCB unit and the front crossbar of the trailer it was being loaded onto.

The worker was positioned between the SCB and the front of the trailer as he was securing the SCB to the front trailer chain hook. The SCB unit moved forward pinning the operator between the SCB and the front of the trailer injuring his leg.

During the incident analysis it was discovered that the risk of another caught in between injury could be significantly reduced by placing a wheel stop in front of the front wheel. The wheel stop is an effective control measure that stops the SCB unit from moving forward when loading. As a second measure a caution label was placed at the SCB Trailer pinch point to warn of the pinch point danger.



Wheel Stop

### Avoid Caught-In/Between Injuries:

- Recognize pinch points where you can be pinned or crushed.
- Avoid putting hands, feet & body in between objects or unguarded equipment where they could be pinned.
- Use special care when backing or working around backing equipment.
- Be aware of the Swing Radius of equipment - especially Truck Mounted Attenuators.
- Never use equipment or tools with broken or missing guards.
- Be aware of your position in relation to equipment and any job hazard.



Caution Label

Be Safe!



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## TOOL TALK SAFETY MEETING

**TOPIC(S):** CAUGHT IN/BETWEEN (September 12, 2022) \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DIVISION:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Foreman/Presenter's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**The presenter is to record attendance by printing the first and last name of each person in attendance.**

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ADDITIONAL TOPICS AND/OR SUGGESTIONS FOR NEXT TOOL TALK

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