

LESSONS LEARNED

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ACCIDENT SUMMARY

Accident Type: Fractured Foot
Type of Work: Portable Crane Assembly
Equipment: Government Furnished Equipment
Contract Type: N/A
Safety Equipment: Safety Shoes not worn
OSHA Investigation: N/A

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ACCIDENT

Employee was supervising a four-man crew while assembling a portable gantry crane. One of the cranes main support legs was laid on the pavement for adjustment, with one end of the leg resting on a 8 inch high paint can. The injured employee's left foot was fractured on the third metatarsal when the 50 pound leg was knocked to the ground and onto his foot by two other workers who bumped the crane leg while moving a ladder. The injured was not wearing his safety shoes at the time of the accident.

ACCIDENT PREVENTION REQUIREMENTS

- a. Work of this nature requires proper foot protection. Identify jobs where metatarsal guards should be used.
- b. Heavy objects placed on unstable supports will fall sooner or later. Use the right equipment for each and every job.
- c. Supervisors must enforce the wearing of required PPE. They must first however, set an example for their employees.

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