

11.0 INJURY/ INCIDENT REPORTING AND INVESTIGATION PROGRAM

PURPOSE

1. The purpose of this procedure is to facilitate timely and accurate reporting and investigation of the incident details to the WSIB, the Joint Health and Safety Committee and/or Health and Safety Representative, senior management and the Ministry of Labour (when required).
2. The purpose of this procedure is to further determine the root cause of an incident so that corrective action may be taken to immediately prevent future incidents.

SCOPE

The following categories of injuries and illnesses will be reported, regardless of the nature or severity of the event:

- fatality
- critical injury
- lost time injury
- health care
- first aid
- property damage
- near miss
- fire
- environmental release
- occupational illness

DEFINITIONS

Critical Injury

A critical injury is an occupational injury of a serious nature that:

1. Places life in jeopardy,
2. Produces unconsciousness,
3. Results in substantial loss of blood,
4. Involves a fracture of a leg or arm, but not finger or toe,
5. Involves the amputation of a leg, arm, hand or foot but not finger or toe,
6. Consists of burns to a major portion of the body, or
7. Causes loss of sight in an eye.

Major Injury

A major injury is an occupational injury or illness that results in an absence from work or school beyond the date of the occurrence and/or requires medical attention.

Minor Injury

A minor injury is an incident that impacts a worker or student only the day of the occurrence and requires first aid only.

Near Miss/Property Damage

A near miss incident or damage to property is an unsafe or hazardous condition that did not result in serious consequences to worker or student health and safety. A light fixture falling next to a worker or damage to a School Board vehicle, without harming any worker, student or members of the public in anyway are examples of near misses and property damage. These types of incidents shall be investigated by the manager, supervisor, or principal to determine if the equipment or structures have become hazardous as a result of the incident. Investigating these types of incidents may also prevent a similar occurrence in the future that could possibly end in a more severe result.

11.1 PROCEDURES

A. IMMEDIATE RESPONSE

1. All staff are responsible for reporting each and every incident, regardless of severity, to their supervisor/principal immediately. Workers shall complete the NPSCDSB **Employee Accident Report Form 1**, and a **WSIB Form 6** as soon as possible after a work-related injury, incident or illness.
2. If first aid is required, the supervisor/principal ensures that appropriate first aid is provided.
3. The supervisor/principal shall ensure that the staff member or student is provided transportation to the nearest medical care facility, if required.
4. If there is a possibility that any circumstances surrounding the incident may be imminently dangerous to anyone, the supervisor/principal shall take immediate steps to prevent further injury.
5. The supervisor/principal shall begin the investigation, as soon as practical once the injured staff member or student is attended to and there is no further threat of harm. The Supervisor/Principal or Health and Safety Officer will compile the data needed to complete the NPSCDSB **Injury/Illness/Incident Investigation Report Form 2**.

B. ACCIDENT/INCIDENT INVESTIGATION

1. The Supervisor/Principal or Health and Safety Officer with authority over the workplace shall conduct the investigation for each incident occurring in the workplace and complete the appropriate forms.
 - a. Interview process:

The supervisor/principal or Health and Safety Officer will interview all eye witnesses and people involved immediately following the incident in a safe and confidential location. All interviews will be documented. Following the interviews, the Injury/Illness/Incident Report Form 2 will be completed as indicated.

2. The Supervisor/Principal or Health and Safety Officer with authority over the workplace is responsible for:
 - a. Securing and inspecting the scene of the incident and all tools and equipment being used at the time of the occurrence; obtaining and reviewing all pertinent work procedures and safety measures; training and equipment maintenance records; and interviewing and documenting, as accurately and completely as possible, the chronology of events and actions taken by those involved in the occurrence. The investigation should include, where appropriate, use of photographs, sketches and drawings of the injury/incident site indicating sizes, distances and weights of objects involved.
 - b. Assessing all available information and determining the causes of the incident and all contributing factors;
 - c. Recommending and implementing immediate corrective action which will prevent or reduce the risk of recurrence of a similar incident and recommending additional corrective actions, as required for approval and implementation at a future date.

Analyzing the Incident

All incidents shall be analyzed to determine cause. There are three levels of cause:

1. Immediate
2. Underlying
3. Root

Some questions to consider during an investigation:

1. Was the worker distracted? If yes, why?
2. Was a safe work procedure being followed? If not, why not?
3. Were safety devices in order? If not, why not?

C. REPORTING PROCEDURES

1. The supervisor/principal and/or Health & Safety Officer shall complete the **NPSCDSB Injury/Illness/Incident Investigation Report Form 2**. Forms must be copied and sent immediately to the HR Department and the Health and Safety Officer for processing. The WSIB Claims Administrator will then complete the **WSIB Form 7** immediately and completely.
2. The Employer's report form must include the following information:
 - a. Detailed background information and documentation which may include photographs and/or sketches;
 - b. Concise description of corrective actions taken;
 - c. Completion date for implementation of additional corrective action.

3. Where the worker seeks medical attention, the **WSIB Functional Abilities Form** must be completed by the treating medical practitioner and returned to the WSIB Claims Administrator.
4. Work-related incidents involving lost time will be recorded and reported in accordance with the appropriate absence reporting procedure.
5. The Senior Management team shall receive copies of all employer reports of incident, worker reports, and all relevant documentation.

D. CRITICAL INJURY

When a critical injury occurs, the employer shall notify the Ministry of Labour immediately by telephone and contact a worker member of the JHSC.

1. Where a person is killed or critically injured in the workplace, no person shall interfere with, disturb, destroy, alter, or carry away any wreckage, article, or thing at the scene, or connected with the occurrence until permission has been given by a Ministry of Labour inspector, except for the purpose of:
 - a. Saving a life or relieving human suffering,
 - b. Maintaining an essential public utility service or public transportation system, or
 - c. Preventing unnecessary damage to equipment or other property.
2. The employer will attend to, and obtain medical attention for the worker.
3. The employer shall establish an investigation team consisting of the supervisor of the critically or fatally injured worker and a certified worker member of the JHSC.
4. The WSIB Claims Administrator must fill out a **WSIB Form 7** and submit it for processing to WSIB.
5. The investigation team will:
 - a. Investigate the accident at the site (without disturbing the evidence),
 - b. Interview witnesses and if required, co-workers and supervisory personnel, and
 - c. Prepare a written report (**NPSCDSB Injury/Illness/Incident Investigation Report Form 2**) of their findings and recommendations to prevent a recurrence.
6. The completed report will be copied and:
 - a. Faxed to the Ministry of Labour, within 48 hours,
 - b. Distributed to members of the JHSC or Health and Safety representative,
 - c. Forwarded to the applicable Union Local, if any,

- d. Forwarded to the Health and Safety Officer for the Board, and
- e. Forwarded to the Manager of Plant Services.

E. COMMUNICATION OF PROGRAM

This program is communicated to all managers, supervisors and employees through:

- Principals' meetings
- bi-weekly Admin Council meetings
- postings on bulletin boards
- orientation of new employees
- coaching of employees found to have contravened this procedure.

F. TRAINING

All members of the Joint Health and Safety Committee, Worker Health and Safety Representatives, Supervisors and Managers will receive training as indicated in the Training Matrix.

**11.2 PROCEDURE FOR PRINCIPAL (OR DESIGNATE)
IN CASE OF A CRITICAL INJURY TO A WORKER**

Provide first aid treatment



Call 911



Call Health & Safety Officer
472-1560 (ext. 2227)



The H&S Officer will immediately call Ministry of Labour Inspector
8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. – 1-800-461-6325
(Dial this number and you will hear an automated voice message.
Press 0 to talk to someone from the Ministry of Labour.)
After 5:00 p.m. – 1-800-268-6060
(This number will connect you to the Ministry of the Environment. They will accept the
message and page a field worker from the Ministry of Labour)
(Do not interfere with scene of accident)



**In consultation with Health & Safety Officer, prepare a written report of occurrence
within 48 hours to be faxed to the MOL at 1-705-564-7076**

The written report required by the Act shall include:

- a) The name and address of the contractor and the employer;
- b) The nature and the circumstances of the occurrence and the bodily injury sustained;
- c) A description of any machinery or equipment involved;
- d) The time and place of the occurrence;
- e) The name and address of the person who was killed or critically injured;
- f) The names and addresses of all witnesses to the occurrence;
- g) The name and address of the physician or surgeon, if any, by whom the person was or is being attended for the injury.



11.3 EMPLOYEE ACCIDENT REPORT FORM 1

This form must be completed as soon after the incident as possible.

Upon completion, please fax immediately to 705-472-4220.

Env.: ___ Land ___ Water ___ Air ___ Other

Safety: ___ First Aid ___ Healthcare ___ Lost Time ___ Near Miss ___ Property Damage
___ Critical Injury ___ Fire ___ Occupational Illness ___ Other

PERSONAL INJURY (Actual/Potential)

Employee Name: _____ Job Title: _____

Department: _____ Date/Time of Incident: _____

Type of Incident (i.e., slip/trip/fall): _____

Nature of Injury/Body Part (i.e., broken hand, cut above the eye): _____

Regular job: Yes No Time on the job: >2 years >1 year ___ months ___ weeks

PROPERTY DAMAGE/ENVIRONMENT (Actual/Potential)

Area: _____ Equip #/Location: _____

Department: _____

Date/Time of Incident: _____

Type of Incident (i.e., explosion, fire, spill, emission, etc.): _____

Estimated Value of Property Damage / Extent of Contamination/Amount of Spill: _____

Witnesses: _____

Describe in detail what happened (provide specific names/details of equipment, tools, materials, parts, etc.):

Date and time reported to supervisor/principal: _____

Routing (completed form must be submitted to WSIB Claim Administrator and Principal)

Sent to	Date Sent	Note Action Taken (then forward to next person on list)
Principal/Supervisor		
WSIB Claims Administrator		
Health & Safety Officer		
Manager of Plant & Health & Safety		

Signature of Employee: _____ Date: _____

11.4 WSIB Form 6



Mail To: 200 Front Street West Toronto ON M5V 3J1
 OR Fax To: 416-344-4684 OR 1-888-313-7373

6 Worker's Report of Injury/Disease (Form 6)

Please PRINT in black ink

Claim Number

A. Worker Information			
Last Name		First Name	
Address (number, street, apt., suite, unit)		Social Insurance Number	
City/Town		Province	Postal Code
Job Title/Occupation (at the time you were hurt)		Date you started with employer	How long have you been doing this job for this employer?
Only check if you are one of the following: <input type="checkbox"/> executive <input type="checkbox"/> elected official <input type="checkbox"/> owner <input type="checkbox"/> spouse or relative of the employer		Date of Birth	Telephone
Sex	Your Preferred Language		Would an interpreter be helpful?
<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	<input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> French <input type="checkbox"/> Other		<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
Are you a member of a union?	Do you authorize your union to represent you in this claim?	If yes, do you consent to the disclosure of verbal claim file status information to your union representative?	
<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	
Provide your Union Name and Local			

B. Employer Information	
Company/Employer Name	
Address	
City/Town	Province
Your Immediate Supervisor's Name	Postal Code
Company Telephone	

C. Accident/illness Dates & Details	
1. Date and hour of accident/Awareness of illness	2. Who did you report this accident/illness to? (Name & Position)
dd mm yy AM/PM	
Date and hour reported to employer	Telephone
dd mm yy AM/PM	
3. Area of injury (Body Part) - (Please check all that apply)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Head <input type="checkbox"/> Face <input type="checkbox"/> Eye(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Ear(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Teeth <input type="checkbox"/> Neck <input type="checkbox"/> Chest
<input type="checkbox"/> Upper back <input type="checkbox"/> Lower back <input type="checkbox"/> Abdomen <input type="checkbox"/> Pelvis	Left Shoulder Right Shoulder Left Arm Right Arm Left Elbow Right Elbow Left Forearm Right Forearm
<input type="checkbox"/> Wrist <input type="checkbox"/> Hand <input type="checkbox"/> Finger(s)	Left Hip Right Hip Left Thigh Right Thigh Left Knee Right Knee Left Lower Leg Right Lower Leg
<input type="checkbox"/> Ankle <input type="checkbox"/> Foot <input type="checkbox"/> Toe(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
Are you: <input type="checkbox"/> Left Handed <input type="checkbox"/> Right handed	
4. Did the accident/illness happen on the employer's property or work site?	Specify where it happened (shop floor, warehouse, client/customer site, parking lot, etc.):
<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	
5. Did it happen outside the Province of Ontario?	If yes, indicate where (city, province/state, country):
<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	
6. Have you hurt this area(s) of your body before?	7. Do you have any prior related WSIB/WCB claims?
<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> yes - in Ontario <input type="checkbox"/> yes - Outside Ontario

A guide to complete this form is available at www.wsib.on.ca

Claim Number

Please PRINT in black ink

Worker Name - Last Name	First Name	Social Insurance Number
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C. Accident/ Illness Dates & Details (continued)

8. If you had a sudden type of accident/illness, describe your injury and what happened to cause it (e.g. hurt lower back while lifting a 50 pound box, sprained left ankle when I slipped on a wet floor, used a new cleaner and immediately got a rash). Please indicate the size, weights and names of any objects involved.
or
 If you had a gradual onset type of injury, describe your injury, the work that you do and what you believe caused your injury/condition.

9. When did you first start to have problems with this injury/condition?

10. If you did not report this to your employer right away, please tell us the reason why.

11. If there were any witnesses to your accident, or if you mentioned your pain or problems to your supervisor or any of your co-workers, give us their names & positions.

	Name	Position
1.		
2.		

12. The Workplace Safety and Insurance Act requires your employer to give you a copy of the Employer's Report of Injury/Disease (Form 7).
 Did you receive a copy of the Form 7? yes no

**The Workplace Safety and Insurance Act requires you to give a copy of this report
(Worker's Report of Injury/Disease - Form 6) to your employer.**

D. Health Care Information

Give your Health Professional your WSIB Claim number.

1. Did you get first aid or care at work? yes no If yes, when dd mm yy and by whom (Name):

2. Where did you go for health care, for your injury, outside of work? (Check all that apply)

	Facility/Hospital (Name & Address)	Date of Visit (dd/mm/yy)		Date of Visit (dd/mm/yy)
<input type="checkbox"/> Nursing Station			<input type="checkbox"/> Ambulance	
<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Department			<input type="checkbox"/> Health Professional Office	
<input type="checkbox"/> Admitted to Hospital			<input type="checkbox"/> Clinic	

3. Were you prescribed any medications/drugs? yes no

4. Were you referred for any other treatment or tests? yes no

5. Did you talk to your health professional about going back to regular or modified work? yes no If yes, were you given any work limitations? yes no

6. Did you tell your employer you went for medical treatment? yes no If no, please tell your employer right away.

If yes, when? dd mm yy and to whom? Name
 Position

Claim Number

Please PRINT in black ink

Worker Name - Last Name	First Name	Social Insurance Number
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E. Lost Time & Return to Work

1. After the day of accident/illness:

I returned to work to my **regular job** and **did not** lose any time or pay.

I returned to **modified duties** and **did not** lose any time or pay.

I **lost time and/or pay** (e.g. regular pay, shift differential, bonuses, premiums, etc.).

→ Date you first lost time and/or pay dd mm yy

2. If you lost time, have you returned to work? yes no

If **yes** → Date of your return to work dd mm yy regular work modified work

If **no** → Did you discuss return to work with your employer? yes no Does your employer have modified work? yes no

F. Earnings (Do not include overtime here)

1. Rate of pay: \$ _____ per hour week other.

2. Usual number of pay hours: _____ per week other.

3. If you lost time from work after the day of accident/illness, did your employer continue to pay you? yes no

4. Have you applied for, or did you receive, any other benefits (money) while off work (e.g. EI benefits, sick benefits, social services, insurance, etc.). yes no

5. At the time of the accident/illness did you work for more than one employer? yes no

G. Declarations and Signature

By signing below, I am claiming benefits under the Workplace Safety and Insurance Act, 1997, for a work-related injury or disease. I am also authorizing any health professional who treats me to provide me, my employer and the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board with information about my functional abilities on the WSIB's "Functional Abilities Form for Planning Early and Safe Return to Work".

**It is an offence to deliberately make false statements to the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board.
I declare that all of the information provided on pages 1, 2, and 3 is true.**

Signature	Date (dd/mm/yy)
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If you are under the age of 16, your parent or guardian, must authorize the release of the functional abilities information.

Signature	Relationship:	Date (dd/mm/yy)	Telephone
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Personal information about you will be collected throughout your claim under the authority of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will be used to administer the Workplace Safety and Insurance Act, 1997, your claim and programs of the Board. Medical and non-medical information is collected from health care providers, vocational agencies, labour market service providers, employers, witnesses, and others as required. Your Social Insurance Number is used to register claims, identify workers and to issue income tax receipts and is collected under the authority of the Income Tax Act. Information may only be disclosed to the employer, external medical, vocational, and safety agencies, external payment and service providers, researchers, and others as authorized by the Workplace Safety and Insurance Act and the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. Your name and telephone number may be disclosed to third party researchers conducting satisfaction surveys and focus groups. Questions should be directed to the decision maker responsible for your file or toll free at 1-800-387-5540.

A more detailed **PRIVACY STATEMENT** for workers may be found at www.wsib.on.ca or by calling toll free at 1-800-387-5540.

11.5 INJURY/ILLNESS/INCIDENT REPORT FORM 2

This form must be completed as soon after the incident as possible
by the Principal/Supervisor/Health and Safety Officer/WSIB Claims Administrator.
Upon completion, fax immediately to WSIB Claims Administrator (705-472-4220)
and Health and Safety Officer (705-472-0507)



Env.: ___ Land ___ Water ___ Air ___ Other

Safety: ___ First Aid ___ Healthcare ___ Lost Time ___ Near Miss ___ Property Damage
 ___ Critical Injury ___ Fire ___ Occupational Illness ___ Other

Date of Investigation: _____

PERSONAL INJURY (Actual/Potential)

Employee Name: _____ Job Title: _____

Department: _____ Date/Time of Incident: _____

Type of Incident (i.e., slip/trip/fall): _____

Nature of Injury/Body Part (i.e., broken hand, cut above the eye): _____

Regular job: Yes No Time on the job: >2 years >1 year ___ months ___ weeks

PROPERTY DAMAGE/ENVIRONMENT (Actual/Potential)

Area: _____ Equip #/Location: _____

Department: _____

Date/Time of Incident: _____

Type of Incident (i.e., explosion, fire, spill, emission, etc.): _____

Estimated Value of Property Damage / Extent of Contamination/Amount of Spill: _____

Witnesses: _____

Witness Statement (required where applicable): _____

Describe in detail what happened (provide specific names/details of equipment, tools, materials, parts, etc.):

Were digital or other photos taken of the scene? Yes No _____
(If yes, please attach)

<p>Contributing Behaviours</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Operation without authority</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Failure to warn</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Failure to secure/make safe (lockout)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Operating at improper speed</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Making safety devices inoperable</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Removing safety devices</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Use of defective equipment/tools</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Using equipment improperly</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Failure to use PPE</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Improper loading</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Improper body placement</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Improper handling techniques</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Working on moving/dangerous equip</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Distracting/Teasing/Horseplay</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Failure to lockout</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Using hands instead of tools</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Failure to follow rules/instructions</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Acting aware of insufficient data</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>No contributing behaviours</i></p>	<p>Contributing Conditions</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Inadequate guarding</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Improper PPE/Dress</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Defective Tools/Equip/Materials</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Safety Devices Inoperative</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Hazardous Arrangement</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Congestion</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Inadequate Warning</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Housekeeping</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Hazard. Env. (gas/dust/fumes)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Noise Exposure</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Temperature Extremes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Improper Illumination</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Inadequate ventilation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Radiation Exposure</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient data</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>No contributing condition</i></p>	<p>Other Contributing Factors</p> <p>Personal Factors</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Inadequate physical capability</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Lack of knowledge</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Lack of skill</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Stress, physical or mental</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Improper motivation</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>No Personal Factors</i></p> <p>Job Factors</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Inadequate supervision</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Inadequate leadership</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Inadequate purchasing</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Inadequate maintenance</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Inadequate work standards</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Wear and tear</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Abuse or misuse</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>No job factors</i></p>
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Provide details relating to Behaviours, Conditions and Other Contributing Factors: _____

Describe corrective and/or preventative actions (what, why, how): _____

Identification of person(s) responsible for corrective/preventative action(s): _____

Are you aware of any prior related problem to the area of injury: _____

CORRECTIVE/PREVENTIVE ACTIONS

Identify Outside/Emergency Services called in: _____

Describe any recommendations to prevent recurrence: _____

PARTICIPANTS AT INVESTIGATION (Principal/Supervisor or Health and Safety Officer carries out the investigation, but may include those on list)

	Print Name and Sign	Date
Employee:		
Supervisor:		
JH&S Committee Member:		
H&S Officer:		
Plant Dept.:		
Other:		

***Once the investigation has been completed and the report has been completed, retain a copy and fax immediately to the H&S Officer and WSIB Claims Administrator.
Any photographs or other media documentation should be forwarded with this report.***

Principal/Supervisor Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Routing (Completed form must be submitted to H&S Officer, H&S Site Rep Worker, WSIB Claims Administrator, JHSC and Senior Administration)