



Zero Fatalities
Zero Lost Time
Zero Road/Speed Incidents
Zero Environmental Incidents
Zero Tolerance of Unsafe Behaviours & Practices



PF Olsen Toolbox Safety Alert 1

Date: 14 January 2019	Focus Group: Chainsaw Operators
Topic: Chainsaw Laceration	Issued by: Nic Steens

Incident: A tree feller was walking on a rotten log when he slipped. The chainsaw he was carrying wasn't running; however, the bar and chain came up and cut the underside of his left arm just above the elbow.

Injury Details: First aid was immediately applied and the felling team continued to work. The cut began to bleed profusely and at this point assistance was sought. The injured party was taken to hospital where the wound was cleaned and closed – MTI.

Risk Awareness: Carrying heavy or sharp tools and objects has the potential to place workers at risk of significant or severe injury, especially in slippery conditions.

Safe Behaviour: Make tools and objects safe when walking any distance or over obstacles e.g. apply a chain brake on a chainsaw. Additionally, carry the object with two hands so that it can be thrown clear if you slip and do not walk on top of objects, especially when their condition is uncertain.

For Site Manager use (print this document and then complete):

This safety alert is relevant to my site? Yes or No (circle one)

If yes, complete the following actions:

1. This safety alert has been discussed with employees and operators
2. I have placed this safety alert on the site notice board or in the safety file

Site Manager: _____ **Date:** / /

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