



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



PF Olsen Toolbox Safety Alert 26

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Topic: Risk Management	Issued by: Nic Steens

Background and Incident: An ATV operator was ferrying tree-stocks to planters. He rode off the formed track, down a spur and unloaded. He then proceeded back uphill toward the track, sidling around the hill instead of taking the same line as in the descent. On approach to the formed track the contour steepened. This caused the ATV to flip and roll approximately 100 m down slope, coming to rest in a swamp.

Injury Details: No injuries, the operator was able to step off the ATV as it rolled.

Risk Awareness: ATV operation is a [critical risk activity](#) causing a disproportionate number of fatalities in primary industry each year. With a mass up to 1000kg the particular risk is a 'loss of control' leading to a rollover where the ATV could fall onto and crush the operator and/or passenger(s).

Safe Behaviours: ATV owners, forest managers (the PCBU's) and operators must be fully conversant with the [Safe Op – All Terrain Vehicles \(ATV\)](#). This instruction outlines risk management controls along with PPE, CPD¹, training and track assessment non-negotiables. The Safe Op must be reviewed by the PCBU's before using ATV(s) with aspects reviewed daily (thereafter) to ensure any site changes are taken into account.

¹ ATV shall be fitted with a professionally designed and manufactured Crush Protection Device (CPD).

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Site Manager: _____
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