

NZ Safety Alert

Let's work together to keep ourselves and our workers safe.

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Yet another ADT rollover

A contractor was operating an articulated dump truck on a quarry haul road. As he was coming around a bend in the road the rear tyre sunk into unstable ground and the tray of the truck tipped onto its side.

There was minor damage to the ADT and noone was injured.

ADT rollovers are far too common in mines and quarries, with speed, overloading, and inadequate training being common contributing factors.

MinEx data on incidents with the potential to cause harm over the past 5 years show 30% (1,649 incidents) of all incidents involve vehicles of which 785 resulted from loss of control of a vehicle.



You need to ensure:

- 1. Operators, including contractors, are trained and assessed as competent to operate mobile equipment. This needs to include model/equipment specific training and assessment.
- 2. Contractor management processes include verification of training and competency of operators.
- 3. Regular workplace inspections are conducted to identify unsafe behaviour and other activities that could put workers at risk of harm.

Know of an incident or near miss? Please share the learnings with us.