

9 What to do in case of occupational injury

IS THERE AN OBLIGATION TO REPORT?

The head or director of an enterprise has according to article 2 paragraph 7 of the Safety Ordinance the obligation to report occupational injuries to the Safety Inspection and the police among others.

WHICH INJURIES SHOULD BE REPORTED?

The head or director of an enterprise gives immediate notice of the following injuries:

- a. Injuries with deadly result;
- b. Injuries where the victim(s) has (have) to be admitted to a nursing institution;
- c. Injuries, which cause such wounds, that it results in permanent or partial disability;
- d. Injuries where by accidental circumstances no personal injury has occurred;
- e. Injuries, which cause such wounds, that result in absenteeism (from work).

PLACE (SURROUNDINGS) OF THE INJURY

The place (surroundings) where the injury occurred must be kept, as much as possible, (for as long as this does not constitute any danger) intact as to facilitate an eventual investigation by the Government authorities (Safety Inspection).

WHEN AND TO WHOM SHOULD BE REPORTED TO?

The head or director of the enterprise must report the injury as soon as possible, but no later than 24 hours, to the Safety Inspection.

For the reporting of injuries, but also for other labour-safety matters, the following should be contacted:

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