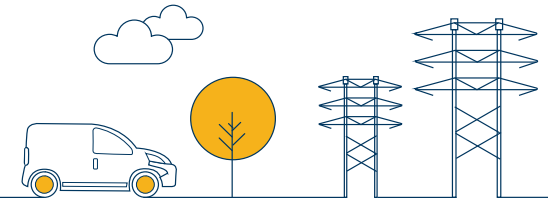
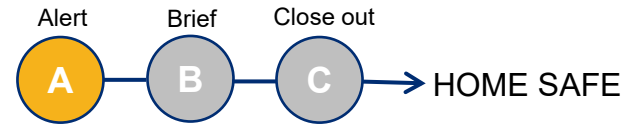


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Fall From Ladder While Descending Grab Lorry



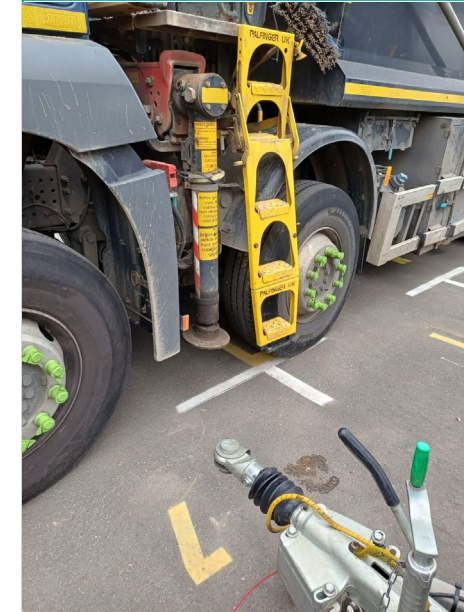
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What happened ?

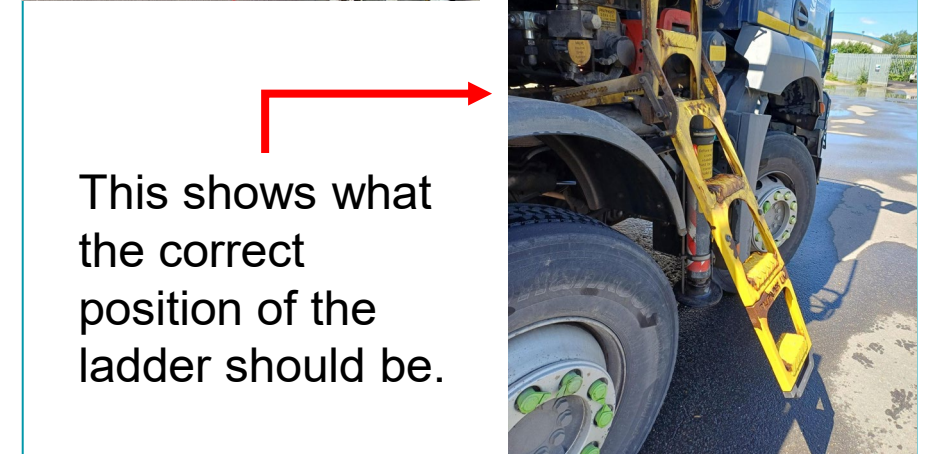
Our colleague attended Brockhampton Yard to collect shingle using a grab lorry. After climbing the ladder to operate the grab, they descended on completion of the task. As they stepped onto the final rung, they lost their footing and landed on both feet before stumbling backwards. They then struck the handbrake of a digger trailer and fell forward onto the trailer's ball joint, before finally coming to rest on the ground. Our colleague experienced discomfort and attended an emergency walk-in clinic, where X-rays confirmed fractured ribs. At the time of the incident, all appropriate PPE was worn. Safety boots were clean, correctly laced, and in good condition with adequate tread. The ladder was also clean and dry.

While the incident is still under investigation, please remember:

- Good Practice: When completing vehicle checks, its also good practice to check other parts that are not obvious on the vehicle check list like ladders, pins, clips, springs etc. making sure they are in place and in working order.
- **See It – Sort It – Report It:** Please remember that when completing vehicles checks to raise any defects found and follow up if necessary.
- **Plan – Scan – Adapt:** Remember to take a 20 second scan of your work area and look at any potential risks or hazards that could, in the event of an incident, cause you harm.



← This shows the position of the defected ladder that was used.



→ This shows what the correct position of the ladder should be.