



Incident Alert Form

TITLE DESCRIPTION:

Significant Near Miss While Driving

THE DETAILS (ATTACH PHOTOS):

While over taking a Concrete Truck in a passing lane, the accelerator pedal was obstructed by the floor mat and the accelerator got stuck on full throttle. The vehicle accelerated up to approximately 160km/h before the driver was able to free the accelerator pedal and regain control of the vehicle speed. No accident happened but it was a significant near miss.

CORRECTIVE ACTION OR IMMEDIATE ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN:

- Secure or remove driver's side floor mats on all vehicles.
- LeasePlan are investigating a permanent solution across all work vehicles. Once approved, this will be communicated to all sites.



The mat and restraining clip



Clip fitted below driver's seat

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION (INCLUDE DIAGRAMS OR PHOTOS IF NECESSARY):

The fixing system that had been used for the mat had broken at some point and the defect was not identified and corrected.

There is no pre-start check for vehicles that could have picked up this problem.

This type of incident could happen in any vehicle, at work or home. Can everyone please remember that safety is safety – it doesn't change from work to home.

KEY LEARNINGS/RECOMMENDATIONS AVAILABLE AT THIS STAGE:

Any unsecured mats on the driver's side of work vehicles need to be either secured or removed until a permanent solution can be implemented.

A minimum pre-start check to be undertaken for all work vehicles (this includes pool vehicles) of:

- Tyres all OK
- No loose items on floor that could end up under the pedals, including floor mats
- Seat position OK
- Mirrors in correct position
- Seatbelt on