

Safety Flash

Incident with Recordable Injury

Date of Incident: 9/23/2020

The Incident

An associate was using an approved wire stripping device to remove the outer coat of a tray-cable. The blade of the device slipped off the cable and cut the associate's leg, resulting in OSHA recordable medical treatment.

The Causes

- The cold cable jacket made it tougher to cut.
- Body positioning/line of fire
- Tight work area

Prevent It

- Use correct body positioning - stay out of the line of fire.
- Control temperature if possible to keep the outer coat pliable.
- Warm the cable itself if temperature control is not possible.

Action Plan

- A safety stand-down is to be performed with the entire work crew to discuss the findings of this incident review.

Keep Improving

Your health and safety are the most important part of every project. We need *your* help to eliminate unsafe behaviors and conditions. If you see a safer and better way to do a task, see your supervisor, or contact GEM Safety: Bill Cornett – 419-720-2728. To get personal protection equipment from the warehouse, call 419-720-2688.