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SAFETY BULLETIN

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Manual Handling Rail

BACKGROUND:

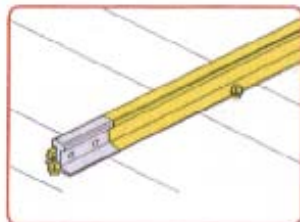
There has been an injury to a member staff whilst using a slewing bar to move a length of rail.

ACTION:

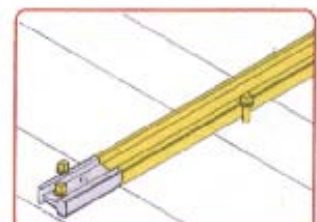
The following must be adhered too when slewing rails:

- Be aware of slippery/uneven surfaces.
- Slewing/heel bars must not be used to turn rail upright by being inserted into the fish bolt hole. The correct rail turner tool must be used. The use of a bar in the bolt hole has also been known to cause damage such as 'star' cracks which weaken the rail.
- All operatives must be briefed on the use of rail turning bars by the site person in charge prior to moving or turning any rails.
- Bull head rail must always be laid on its side before attempting to move it using a slewing bar.
- Always have the correct number of personnel for the length of rail to be lifted (minimum of 2x2 person team per 1.5 metre of rail).
- If possible, rail should be moved by Iron Men.
- When using rail nips always use the correct lifting position, two person lift per set of nips.

A Yes. Store flat bottomed rails upright.



A Yes. Store bullhead rails on their side.



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