

SAFETY ALERT



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Number:	SA0007
Subject:	Driver Cuts Hand on Dog Bar
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Incident: (Brief facts only, do not include company name or location, insert picture if available)

- Truck Driver was dogging down a coil when the poly angle settled as the chain tensioned. This caused the driver's hand to slip off the dog bar, and catch on a small barb of metal on the dog bar causing a laceration to hand requiring 3 stitches

Key Lessons: (maximum of 3)

- Drivers should only use dog bars in good condition and working order, ie should not use worn or old dog bars
- Drivers should wear gloves when dogging down to avoid injury

Recommendations: (maximum of 3)

- Communicate incident to all transport companies and drivers advising them to review and replace old or worn dog bars
- Driver to be given a new dog bar
- Drivers to wear gloves when dogging down loads

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