

Safety Awareness Topic of the Month

Electrical Safety



Figure 1: Shows the location where the rescue hook should be.



Figure 2: Cable terminations / entries with sheathing cut short, and splices with only electrical tape, including cable repairs using electrical tape.

Recently a number of safety observations have revealed some simple items that present serious hazards, with very simple corrective actions.

Details (Figure 1):

Whilst carrying out a check on electrical items, it was noted that several rescue hooks were missing. This hook is used to assist in the rescue of personnel by dragging them away from the source of electrocution.

Details (Figure 2):

Appropriate approved cable joining should be used at all times, or the cable replaced. AS/NZ3000:2007

It is important that preventive maintenance systems promote regular inspections of safety equipment points, particularly relating to rescue equipment. It is also recommended that these checks are added to regular equipment checks.

"Safety risks are not yours to take; you're not the only one who will suffer from your mistakes!"

If you have colleagues who wish to be included in this monthly safety bulletin, please send their contact details to us and we will gladly include them.

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