



LESSONS LEARNED

Incident ID	OLI00000470.POTENTIAL.030425.00186184	Incident Date	04/04/2025
Incident Circumstance	Fall of Materials >2m/6ft	Workplace Activity	Steel Kickboard Installation
Operation	Melbourne Airport Northern Infill Security Enhancement	Issued By	Andrew Hereth

Description of Incident

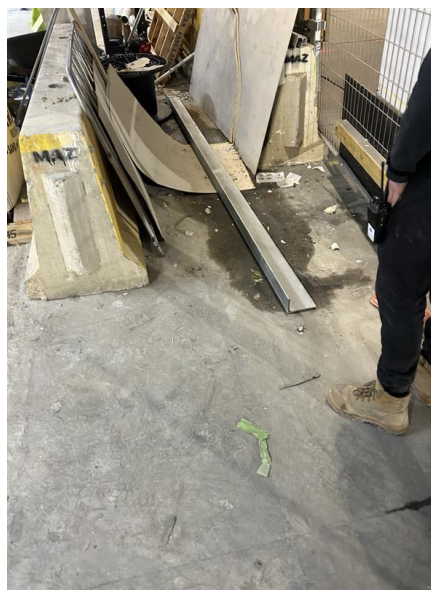
A permanent steel kickboard angle was being installed on a mezzanine level floor plate. The kickboard, approximately 3 metres long and weighing 42kg, was planned to be installed by two workers, however, during the task, one of the workers left the area to retrieve a tool.

The remaining worker continued the installation and while doing so, lost grip of the angle resulting in the kickboard falling 3.8m to the ground level, within the site boundary. There was no designated exclusion zone in place at the time. No persons were injured.

The agreed documented process required that an exclusion zone was to be established below. On this occasion, the work activity was not planned to be undertaken on this day and proceeded without coordination with Lendlease.



Steel kickboard angle being installed



Location of where the kickboard angle landed

Key Learnings

1. Coordination of works is to be agreed between Lendlease and Subcontractors, with exclusion zone locations clearly identified and communicated to work groups. Any changes to the sequence of works are to be coordinated with Lendlease site management to ensure that changes do not impact other works and appropriate exclusion zones can be maintained or established.
2. Exclusion zones are to be established below or around all areas where there is a risk of people being struck by falling materials. The exclusion zone is to be of an adequate size and be delineated by physical barriers with clear signage prohibiting entry.
3. Workers must be inducted into their safe work methodology and ensure that all agreed controls are established before the activity commences.

GMR Reference

4.2 – Fall of Material/Object