



# Safety Alert

## Survey equipment rolling into a live lane

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The following pages of this safety alert were issued by Highways England's supply chain partner:

### Galliford Try

## HIGHWAYS – SURVEY EQUIPMENT ROLLING INTO LIVE LANE

During survey works being undertaken in the closed hard shoulder by Galliford Try engineers, a can of spray paint has fallen out of the side door of a site vehicle and rolled under the van and into live lane 1 of the M56 Motorway. The can was immediately driven over by a HGV, puncturing the can resulting in paint debris as shown (Image 1) on the carriageway. Fortunately, the incident did not result in the HGV slowing down, braking or stopping and no injury or subsequent incident occurred as a result. However, due to the high potential nature of this event it is being fully investigated to prevent any possible reoccurrence.



*Image 1: remnants of blue paint on carriageway*

### Immediate actions taken include:

- All work on the network was postponed and a construction team brief given.
- All site vehicles were unloaded at the site compound and all contents were secured or placed in storage containers
- All persons requiring the use of a van have been briefed to ensure they securely load the van on a daily basis with the equipment required for the given shift and then cleared at the end of the shift.
- Foreman to present a TBT on incident reporting and emergency preparedness as per GT standards.
- Correct loading of site vehicles to be added to all First Ten-minute Briefings.
- Site engineering RAMS have been reviewed to reflect the above

### Further actions:

- Bespoke storage containers for small items such as cans, tools have been ordered for all site vehicles
- Communication of incident to Highways Community for awareness
- Site vehicle specification and inspection procedure is to be reviewed

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**Communication Required:** (double click on box to tick action to be taken)

Toolbox Talk ☒ Notice Board ☐ Supply Chain ☐ Review of Site Activities ☒ Information only ☐

**Actions Completed by:** ..... **Date** .....

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