

NRTS Safety Alert – Underfoot Conditions

Following a recent incident which resulted in an injury to one of our operatives, please be aware of the need to stay alert to underfoot conditions and the risk of trips, slips and falls.

Our investigation found that wet grass clippings may have contributed to the incident, by either adhering the sole of protective footwear and reducing its effectiveness or by creating a slippery surface. It is common practice that grass cuttings are left following site clearances as well as general grounds maintenance, so please be aware that this may increase the risk of trips, slips and falls and always consider this as part of your dynamic risk assessment.



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Please remain alert and continue to assess the underfoot conditions, being mindful of any increased risk of trips, slips and falls.

Please take extra care when:

- Surfaces are icy or there has been recent snowfall.
- Walking across grass verges or areas where obstructions could be hidden from view.
- Animals may have burrowed into the ground creating holes or pits in the surface.
- Lack or reduced visibility during hours of darkness or low light.
- Grass cuttings have been left on verges or are covering pathways, especially when wet.
- Ground is rough or uneven or has a loose surface.

For further information, please contact a member of the NRTS H&S Team at NRTSafe@telent.com.