



# REO BAR CAP OFF SAFETY ALERT

Another reminder of the importance of making sure that exposed reo bars are protected with caps. A carpenter was hospitalized after falling and becoming **impaled on a y16 reo bar today**.

The carpenter fell from a ladder and landed on vertical steel reinforcing starter bar, penetrating his leg and travelling vertically through his thigh.

The carpenter was assisted by workers close by and taken to Royal Perth Hospital by emergency services. The worker also sustained some facial lacerations, narrowly missing his eye from impacting against the reo when he landed.

**A safe system of work for working at heights and reo bars which were capped would have prevented this serious accident from occurring and should serve as a reminder to all sites not to be complacent with exposed reo bars.**



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