

REPORTING SERIOUS INJURIES AND EXPLOSIONS

Call the 24/7 OHS line at 902-628-7513

You are **required** to **immediately** report a serious injury or explosion to the WCB's Occupational Health and Safety Division

What is a serious injury?

A serious injury can include any of the following:

- Unconsciousness
- A fracture
- Loss of a limb
- Substantial loss of blood
- An amputation of leg, arm, hand or foot
- A burn to a major portion of the body
- Loss of sight in an eye
- A fatality



What if an explosion happened?

If an accidental explosion occurs in a workplace, the employer **MUST** notify the WCB's Occupational Health and Safety Division, **regardless of whether anyone is injured.**

What about the scene of the accident?

You must **NOT** disturb the scene of an accident where a serious injury occurred, **EXCEPT** to:

- Attend to persons injured or killed
- Prevent further injuries
- Protect property that is endangered as a result of the accident

In the above situations, the scene of the accident must be preserved until directed by an Occupational Health and Safety Officer.

What information do I need to provide?

When reporting a serious injury, the following information should be provided:

- The nature of the accident and the injury
- The date, time and location of the accident
- The name of the employer
- The name of each person involved in the accident

