

HSEM ALERT

Mini Excavator Incident

Who needs to read this?

All Curtin University Staff and Contractors

Background / Incident Details

A contractor was excavating a trench, digging into soft sand using a 1.5T mini excavator at the Curtin Creative Quarter work site. The excavator slipped into the trench causing it to tip.

Work was immediately stopped and the mini excavator was removed using a 55T crane and licensed riggers.



What can you do to work safely at Curtin University?

- Ensure you apply for the appropriate permits
- Ensure the Job Safety Analysis (JSA) reflects the work being carried out on site
- Familiarise yourself with the site before you commence the work and plan the work accordingly



HEALTH, SAFETY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Promoting a safer place to work and study

- Make yourself aware of the safe practice guidance described in the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety [Code of Practice - Excavation](#) and the [Guide to Powered Mobile Plant](#)

Who do we call with questions?

If you have any queries, please contact Health, Safety and Emergency Management on 9266 4900 or email healthandsafety@curtin.edu.au.

References

www.dmirs.wa.gov.au/

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