

Safety Notice

To promote good safety practices
This safety notice is issued to learn from an accident on 15 March 2025

Reporting of Accidents

Concern: Incorrect operation / failure of Equipment

Risk: Harm to person using the equipment

Possible Consequences: Depending on the type and use of the equipment combined with the failure mode, electrical or mechanical injuries with the potential for long-term disabilities and medical needs.

Observations:

Cut finger requiring hospital treatment while using the 'Walker' element of the exercise area.
Post Incident inspection identified that the 'Movement Limiters' had failed.

Inspection and Maintenance:

Regular inspections and maintenance help identify potential defects by keeping equipment in proper working order which reduce the likelihood of accidents and injuries.

This should involve pre-use visual checks, and regular inspections and maintenance by a competent person.

The inspection and maintenance frequencies should be determined through risk assessment.

Results of inspections and maintenance activities should be recorded and kept, to demonstrate legal compliance and a strong safety culture.

Review:

Following an incident, associated 'Risk Assessments' and 'Inspection & Maintenance Regimes' should be reviewed and any lessons learnt incorporated into them.

Reference:

- [Reporting Incidents, Illness and Emergencies](#)
- [Scout Safety Policy](#)
- [Scout Risk Assessment](#)
- [Planning and Assessing Risk](#)
- [Activity & Safety Updates](#)