Type of Incident

Wrist injury

Summary:

Whilst cutting a piece of cured polyester with an angle grinder, the piece had moved. Due to this movement, the grinder kicked back resulting in the employee injuring his wrist.

No Pictures available

Root Causes:

- Piece of cured polyester was not secured properly during the cutting task
- The tool was being held with one hand. The requirements for using this tool is to securely hold with two hands at all times
- Poor supervision

Actions Taken Thus Far: Next Steps

- Review risk assessment for task and amend accordingly
- Review available options in securing cured polyester to workbench
- Issue a communication to all employees / supervisors reminding them of the importance of securing work pieces to benches and in holding cutting equipment safely in accordance with their training

