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Kentucky DMS – Accident No.1

On Thursday, January 5th 2023, a 52 –year old underground miner with approximately 25- years of mining experience was injured while working in an underground mine in the Pikeville Branch.

The accident occurred while the victim was getting on his mobile personnel carrier, when another personnel carrier (Mac/8) backed through a ventilation curtain pinning the victim's right leg between the two pieces of machinery, resulting in compound fractures to the right lower leg.

EQUIPMENT INVOLVED



RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Additional training shall be provided for all work procedures emphasizing best practices for each specific task.
2. Be aware of your location in relation to the movement of equipment and potential releases of stored energy.
3. Make sure all employees wear reflective clothing and flashing lights. When moving equipment, ensure the area is clear prior to putting machinery into motion.
4. Before operating machinery, properly perform pre-operational checks.