OHS Alert

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Loading Bays... it's time for real safety protection!



The standard of physical protection for those working in crane loading bays has slowly deteriorated. In fact, as the photo above shows, on some sites it's an absolute disgrace.

This type of loading bay provides no protection for workers.

It's time to reverse this trend and demand real protection against vehicle impact. Getting hit by a vehicle is a life-threatening event, which can, and must, be prevented.

The Road Management Act 2004 (Victoria) Code of Practice Worksite Safety – Traffic Management, details what is required when crane/loading bays are set up on roads. This includes a full traffic management plan for the site and the use of safety

barriers especially when there is "...INADEQUATE safe clearance between workers... and moving traffic...".

The OHS Act 2004 (Victoria) states employers should be providing "...the highest level of protection...". When working on the road in a crane loading bay, that means physical protection capable of withstanding impact or collision from moving vehicles.

Don't compromise on your safety when working on the road or adjacent to traffic in crane loading bays. Demand full physical protection, not just plastic bollards and ribbon tape... **you and your family deserve better.**

Contact the CFMEU if the crane loading bay you work in does not provide physical protection from vehicle impact or collision.

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