

# HAZARD ALERT

## DOORS – Crush Injuries

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**REFERENCE:**

WHS Act 2012, cl 19.

WHS Regulations 2012

CSH&WSA Document No. 14 – Hazard Management Procedure

**OBJECTIVE:**

To eliminate risk of any person having fingers crushed.

**BACKGROUND:**

Recently there have been a number of incidents where students have had fingers crushed/injured in doors, especially in the toilets. This is a difficult hazard to control due to the specific structure, operation and location of each door.

Catholic Safety Health and Welfare is currently assessing and reviewing control measures to address this issue.

**INTERIM CONTROLS:**

- Assess doors throughout your worksite and determine if a risk to a crush injury is present
- Reinforce to students/persons in the workplace appropriate methods to close doors
- Highlight to persons in the workplace the risk associated with slamming doors.

**PREVENTATIVE ACTION:- Large Glass Sliding Doors**

If any site has this type of sliding door it is recommended that a rubber cushion is retro fitted to the front edge of the door.

Door without the cushion



Door with the cushion



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