

## Company fined following crush injury

**Tinmasters Swansea Limited, a tinplate printing company in Swansea, has been fined after an employee was seriously injured when working on a printing press.**

On 19 June 2017, an employee was working at the company's premises at Afon Works, Bryntywod, Llangyfelach, Swansea, when he sustained a serious crushing and de-gloving injury to his hand after becoming trapped between the rollers of the printing press, while he was trying to rectify an intermittent fault.

The HSE's investigation found that the front guards electronic interlock device had been defeated, there was **no risk assessment** for fault finding on the printing press, and no safe system of work, including providing suitable training for employees.

Tinmasters Swansea Limited, (previously known as Afon Tinplate Company Limited at the time of the accident) of Severn Bridge Industrial Estate, Caldicot, Wales, pleaded guilty to breaching Section 2(1) of the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 and was fined £29,000 with £1,713.40 costs.



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