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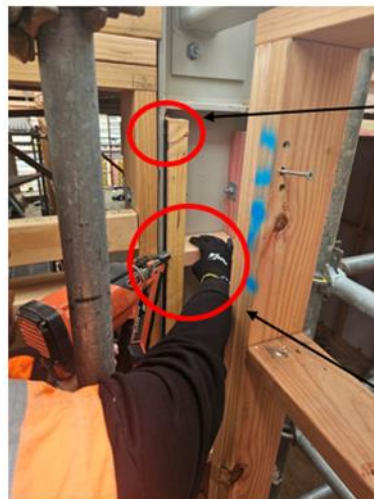


Outline the Scene	Incident	Framing Nailer vs Finger
	Subject	Working with Powertools
	Critical Risk Type	NCR01 - Contact with hot or sharp objects
	Incident Date	28-2-2024
	Radar Reference	INCID-0076095
	Business Unit	Fletcher Living - Canterbury

What happened



A carpenter was installing a nog for a wall fixing, to fix off the nog they used a framing nailer using 90mm nails. Access to the wall was restricted due to the scaffold system in place. During the installation the carpenter has been holding the nog in close proximity from the nailer. Using their non dominant hand they have then shot into a knot within the timber, this has caused the nail to deviate and penetrate their finger.



IP drove the nail into the knot

Note - Right hand positioned in the line of fire.
(Not the position during the incident but similar)

We believe all injuries are preventable, here are some questions to help us learn



- Is the workspace sufficient for the task?
- Are workers avoiding shooting nailer directly through knotted part of timber?
- Could an alternative tool or fixing be used for the task? i.e. drill & screw
- When using nail gun, are hands and other body parts a minimum of **300mm** away from the tip of nailer?

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