

SAFETY ALERT

Shared Learning's

INCIDENT TITLE:

Hi visibility dazzle spray can paint explosion

TIME AND DATE OF INCIDENT:

24/01/2015

INCIDENT DETAIL :

The morning of the 24th January a Meridian staff member got into a company vehicle to find the back end and seats were covered in hi vis yellow spray paint, on opening the boot he found the emergency kit bag had been completely blown apart, with paint everywhere. This caused damage to helmets and other parts of the emergency response kit. A high vis spray can was found with the bottom blown out and the top, twisted.

LEARNINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THIS INCIDENT:

The manufacture states on the side of the can that it is to be kept in a cool place out of the sun.

With temperatures soaring this summer this is not possible.

It is recommended:

- **All spray cans are removed from all vehicles immediately until the manufactures storage guidelines can be met.**
- **Follow all manufactures guidelines around correct storage of aerosols.**

INITIAL RESPONSE AND INVESTIGATION OUTCOMES :

It appears that the heat has caused the can to blow apart.

The H&S emergency car kits were inspected and had the spray cans removed. Corporate H&S were informed to inform other parts of the business.

PHOTO:



Bottom of aerosol can blown off

The Corporate Safety and Health Team are currently working on systems to support the above learnings.

If interested in viewing the full investigation report for this incident, it can be found in:

Safety Manager Id Number 440945. If you do not have access to Safety manager contact a member of Meridian's CSH team.



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