



HPI Alert Part 1

Initial notification and key messages from an event



Incident Title: Exploding battery				Date of issue: 11 Oct 2019
Date of event 10/10/2019	Risk Realised Yes	Sentinel Record INC-057314	Related Safety Essentials (click icon in PowerPoint slideshow mode for more information)	 Electricity
What happened	<p>The battery on a portable light exploded while on recharge and a worker was in the direct line of fire.</p> <p>They had approached the battery because it had been reported as smoking.</p> <p>The worker suffered minor injuries which required first aid (singed hair and cuts from shrapnel).</p>			
What immediate corrective actions were taken	<p>Power was isolated to the area.</p> <p>The worker was given first aid treatment before being sent to a medical provider.</p>			
What should my team and I do now	<p>In your workplaces confirm that every device is using the charger that was supplied by the manufacturer, or a charger that is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The correct voltage for the device. • The correct amperage for the device. <p>If unsure, check with your local electrician.</p>			