

Employer fined for violation of safety legislation

Smart Grand Engineering Limited was fined \$25,000 at the Western Kowloon Magistrates' Courts today (July 4) for violation of the Occupational Safety and Health Ordinance. The prosecution was launched by the Labour Department.

The case involved a fatal accident that occurred on December 15, 2022, at a container terminal in Kwai Chung. A fender panel, while being filled with compressed air for leak testing, suddenly ruptured and generated a strong airflow. A worker engaged in the work was thrown into the air by the airflow and fell back on the ground. The worker sustained serious head injuries and passed away on the same day. Another worker in the vicinity was hit by a component of the ruptured fender panel and sustained laceration injuries.