

**MINISTRY OF LABOUR  
CONSTRUCTION HEALTH AND SAFETY PROGRAM  
FATALITIES  
PROVINCE  
2003**

January 25, 2003 – A worker while working on a roof of a new expansion at Earlton Airport **fell** approximately 38 feet. The worker was wearing fall protection but was not tied off.

January 28, 2003 – A roof hoist and ladder **struck** the owner of a sub-contracting firm while standing on the ground of a residential project in Concord. The worker sustained head and leg injuries. The worker succumbed to his injuries on January 29, 2003.

February 7, 2003 – A worker working off a ladder on a project in Toronto on an eighth storey balcony **fell** from the balcony when the ladder slipped.

February 18, 2003 – A worker operating a compactor on a residential project in Aurora received **crushing** injuries to his head when the compactor over turned.

February 21, 2003 – A worker while descending an extension ladder was struck by another worker who had fallen off the same ladder above him causing both workers to **fall** to the ground. The worker who was struck sustained fatal injuries on a project in Saugeen Township (Bruce County).

March 13, 2003 – A worker (framer) succumbed to his injuries when he **fell** 20 feet. The incident occurred on February 14 when the worker was walking across a roof not protected by fall protection and slipped on a project in Vaughan.

March 28, 2003 – A worker who **fell** approximately 10 feet on March 17 on a project in Scarborough succumbed to his injuries.

April 30, 2003 – A worker succumbed to his injuries that he received on April 28, 2003 during a by-pass on a 6-inch gas line on a project in Windsor when an **explosion/fire** occurred.

May 6, 2003 – A worker **fell** from a two storey building on a project in Vaughn.

June 16, 2003 - A worker **fell** approximately 15-20 feet off a ladder in Etobicoke while window cleaning.

June 18, 2003 – A worker performing the duties of setting up traffic control devices on Hwy. 404 in Markham was fatally injured when **struck-by** a crash truck that was struck by the motoring public.

June 26, 2003 – A worker (electrician) while working on electrical panel received an **electrical shock** resulting in 3<sup>rd</sup> degree burns to 75% of his body on a project in Oakville. The worker succumbed to his injuries on June 27, 2003.

July 4, 2003 – A worker (electrician) working on a residential project in Richmond Hill was **electrocuted**.

July 5, 2003 – A worker (linesperson) while working on overhead power lines rated at 7200 volts was **electrocuted** on a project in the Bruce area.

July 8, 2003 – A worker working off a swing stag on a residential project in Mississauga **fell** approximately 30 feet when one end of the staging collapsed.

July 14, 2003 – A worker was **struck-by** then run over by a forklift, sustaining injuries to his head and body on a project in Oakville.

July 17, 2003 – A worker **fell** five stories on an ICI project in Brampton sustaining multiply injuries.

July 18, 2003 – A worker on a residential project in Whitby was repairing a leak on a house foundation while working in an excavation that was 9 feet deep, when the wall of the excavation **collapsed** and buried the worker.

July 30, 2003 – A worker **fell** approximately 20 feet off structural steel on a project in London.

August 15, 2003 – A worker (roofer) was removing roof-jacks on a project in Tiny Township (Barrie district) was **electrocuted** when the wind caused the ladder to come into contact hydro lines.

August 19, 2003 – A worker (sign erector) **fell** on an ICI project in Mississauga and passed away on August 23.

August 25, 2003 – A worker, dump truck operator was **electrocuted** when the box of the vehicle made contact with an overhead energized power line on a project in the Township of Norwich (Brant district).

September 6, 2003 – A worker working in the basement of a residential project in Milton (Halton district) on August 27 was found **unconscious**. (later determined to be a **fall**)

September 12, 2003 – A worker succumbed to his injuries received on August 19, 2003 when he **fell** 10 feet from a work platform. The worker was sand blasting rebar when one of the wooden planks he was standing on broke resulting in neck and head injuries on a project in Scarborough.

September 24, 2003 – A worker (building inspector) received head injuries when he **fell** through a stairwell opening on the main floor into the basement of a residential project in Toronto.

October 1, 2003 – A worker while installing a canopy off a ladder situated on a terrace on a residential home in Toronto **fell** approximately 15 feet. The worker succumbed to his injuries on October 5, 2003.

October 9, 2003 – A worker (roofer) was found on the ground at a residential project in Mississauga without any vital signs. (later determined from a **fall**)

October 20, 2003 – A worker was **crushed-by** a precast concrete slab on a project in Mississauga.

November 7, 2003 – A worker on October 15 at demolish project in Sault Ste Marie was **struck-by** a steel door measuring 18 x 19 feet that was leaning up against a wall when it fell over. The worker succumbed to his multiple injuries.

December 3, 2003 – A worker while shingling roof **fell** approximately 30 feet onto pavement below on a project in Mississauga.

TOTAL 2003 - 30

TOTAL 2002 - 20

TOTAL 2001 - 21