

# HAZARD ALERT

## Sliding Doors

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### References:

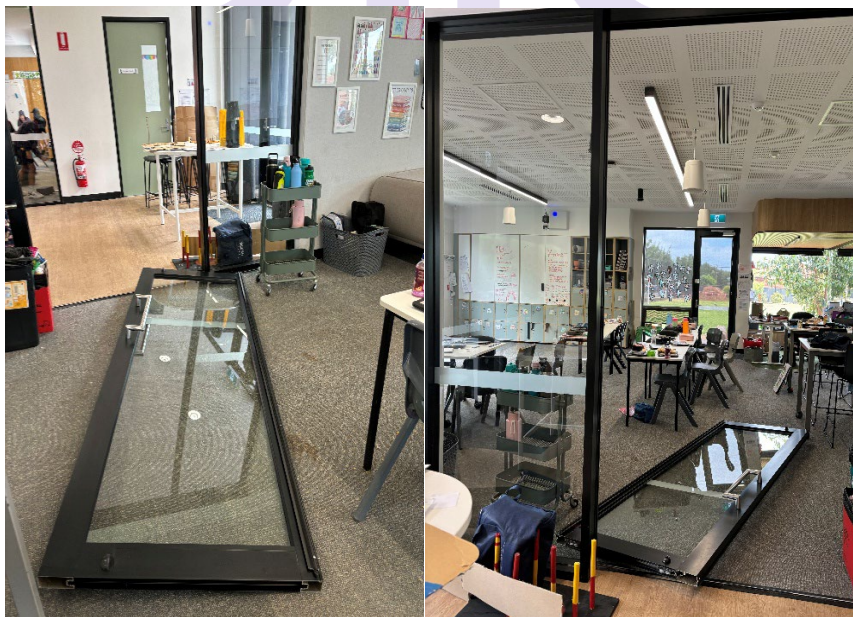
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WHS Regulations 2012 (SA) – Regulations 34 – 38  
CSaIM Procedure No. (14) – Hazard Management  
CSaIM Procedure No. (15) – Plant Management

### OBJECTIVE

To ensure worksites are aware of the dangers associated with sliding doors.

### BACKGROUND

There has been an incident in the Education Sector, which resulted in an injury to a student. A student was coming back into classroom and was sliding the door closed. Felt one of the doors falling towards him, tried to hold it but couldn't so stepped aside and the door continued to fall striking a student sitting at their desk eating lunch.



### Identified Issue:

- The height of the doors (if off the track) does not reach the bottom of the ceiling channel, resulting in the door being able to fall.
- The discrepancy in height means there is no fail safe
- 3 sets of doors were identified with this height discrepancy

### PREVENTATIVE ACTION

Hazards need to be identified and controls implemented to prevent / minimise possible injuries. Sites should ensure, but not limited to:

- Independent Contractor to be engaged to check all sliding doors
- Workplace Inspections are completed – sliding doors are listed on inspection form
- Sliding doors are on the Preventative Maintenance Schedule
- Encourage hazard and incident reporting

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