



Safety recommendation no. 12

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Safety deficit	<p>On 18 May 2016 at around 16:50, a freight train was assembled at the Widnau siding. When it approached three wagons waiting to be picked up, they ran away a few metres in the direction of the company's terrain, colliding with an outrigger working platform located in the track area. The impact caused the outrigger working platform to move, and an employee fell from it and was fatally injured.</p> <p>For employees who carry out shunting movements on sidings, this activity is often only an incidental part of their job. In the case under investigation, the employee on duty as part of SAW's shunting service had completed practical training on the shunting locomotive. Employees who are deployed in the shunting service must be trained in and tested on the Swiss transport service guidelines (FDV) in accordance with Article 10 of the DETEC Ordinance on the Licence to Drive Railway Locomotives.</p>
Safety recommendation	<p>Target group: Sidings operators operating their own shunting service on their tracks. The STSB recommends that the siding operators concerned ensure that all shunting staff have completed the appropriate training and examinations.</p>
Investigation report concerning the safety recommendation	<u>Schlussbericht</u>