

Female worker dies at Eastland Port, Gisborne

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A woman has died following a workplace incident at Gisborne's port.

In a statement, a spokeswoman for Eastland Group, the parent company of the port, said the employee was a woman.

"A female employee of ISO, the log marshalling and stevedoring company, was struck by a log falling from a shuttle truck."

The accident happened just before 9am, she said.

Emergency services arrived "quickly" at the scene, and the woman's family were notified.

"Following a karakia, the port has been closed for the day, as a mark of respect and to allow her colleagues to reflect and grieve.

"This is a close-knit team in a close-knit community, and we're shattered," said Eastland Port's general manager Andrew Gaddum.

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Police said emergency services were called to Rakaiatane Rd about 9am on Monday, where it appeared a log had fallen on the person.

The death would be referred to the coroner and WorkSafe had been notified.

A WorkSafe spokeswoman said it had launched an investigation into the death.

