

Man Killed Falling Into 6,000-Gallon Liquid Container: Linden PD

A 71-year-old Iselin man was killed after he fell into a loaded tank container in Linden Monday, Jan. 19, authorities said.



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At 2 p.m., officers and firefighters responded to Park and Brunswick Avenues and found a 71-year-old man dead inside a bulk liquid container, Linden police said. The man was working on the property as a private subcontractor, police said.

Detectives believe that the man was on top of the container when he accidentally fell inside while working, police said. At the time of the incident, the 6,000-gallon container was being filled with mineral oil, a highly refined petroleum-derived liquid, police said.

The incident is under investigation by Linden police while the Occupational Safety and Health Administration is conducting a separate investigation, authorities said.