

November 2016 Compliance Activity Report



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SafeWork SA

Accommodation and food services

This report covers people working in the state's hotels, restaurants, pubs and clubs, accommodation, takeaways and catering sector.

SafeWork SA inspectors ensure work health and safety and public safety standards are met and take appropriate action when breaches are detected.

During November, incidents causing injuries to staff included decanting hot oil and discarding glass bottles.

Employers are reminded that removing or filtering oil has serious risks of injury. In 2015, an employer was convicted and fined \$90,000.

Employers must identify all risks and suitably control them using the *hierarchy of control*. Consideration needs to be given to the heat of the oil, the manual handling tasks associated with removing containers of oil, and the potential slip hazard if oil is spilt.

Employers should also consider the most appropriate method of discarding glass in a safe manner, ensuring that staff are not at risk of being in contact with broken glass.

Report work health and safety issues to SafeWork SA on 1300 365 255 or help.safework@sa.gov.au.

