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Industrial/Occupational Mishap Claims One Soldier's Life

A 20-year-old Specialist assigned to Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, died in an industrial/occupational mishap 24 January 2022 on the installation, at 1430 local. While lowering a Containerized Kitchen (CK) during a tire change, the Soldier was removing one of the jack stands when the CK tipped over approximately 90-degrees, landing on top of the Soldier. Due to reduced traction from an icy surface, the Soldier was unable to get clear of the equipment and was killed instantly. Department of Emergency Services pronounced the Soldier dead at the scene. The U.S. Army Combat Readiness Center is leading a safety investigation into the mishap.

Since FY17, the Army has lost an average of one Soldier a year to industrial/occupational mishaps. This tragedy was the first fatal industrial/occupational mishap of FY22.

PLRs are intended to be used as an engagement tool for leaders to discuss the hazards and trends impacting Soldier safety and readiness. The PLR contains only basic information but provides sufficient background to allow leaders an opportunity to communicate risk at the Soldier level. More detailed information on this and other Army mishaps can be found on the U.S. Army Combat Readiness Center website at <https://safety.army.mil/lessonslearned>.

To access current U.S. Army accident statistics and reports, visit <https://safety.army.mil/STATISTICS>.

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