

ECG Incident Report: Key Safety Insights for Europe's Vehicle Logistics Sector

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Security at truck parking areas has emerged as a main concern for Europe's Finished Vehicle Logistics sector, according to discussions surrounding ECG's 2025 Incident Report.

The **Association of European Vehicle Logistics (ECG)** recently presented the findings of its 2025 Incident Report during a webinar organised by the ECG Health & Safety Working Group. The report brings together 91 incidents reported by ECG members across 15 European countries and provides valuable insight into the safety risks affecting Finished Vehicle Logistics (FVL).

Building on its close cooperation with ECG, ESPORG is pleased to highlight findings of particular relevance to the European secure truck parking community.

A reporting culture – and a discussion that reached parking

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The ECG Health & Safety Working Group brought together industry professionals on 2 July for a **webinar** presenting the findings of the 2025 Incident Report, offering the opportunity to review the latest safety trends across Finished Vehicle Logistics (FVL) and discuss how the industry can continue improving Health & Safety standards.

Filippo Griffi, ECG Senior Project Manager, presented the results of the 2025 Incident Report, which consolidates 91 incidents across 15 European countries through the Online Incident Reporting platform. Incidents were submitted by both logistics service providers and OEMs through ECG's Online Incident Reporting platform and cover the full spectrum of FVL.

Johannes Alexander Hödlmayr, CEO of Hödlmayr International stressed the importance of fostering a strong reporting culture across the sector. He encouraged ECG to continue reporting incidents and near misses, highlighting that sharing experiences is essential to preventing future accidents and driving continuous improvement throughout the industry.

Beyond presenting the report, the webinar generated an engaging discussion among participants on the future of Health & Safety within the FVL sector. The security of truck parking areas emerged as one of the main concerns, together with the need for ECG to continue engaging with the European Parliament on health, safety and security legislation affecting our Industry. Participants also shared their views on how to address the still relevant issue of unsafe vehicle loading/unloading at dealerships.

ECG report insights: road transport carries the highest-consequence risks

ECG report covers the full spectrum of FVL operations, from loading and unloading activities to yard maneuvering and road transport.

The report confirms that loading and unloading operations remain the industry's highest-frequency risk area, accounting for 51 of the 91 reported incidents. Within this category, Slip, Trip and Fall continues to be the most common incident type, particularly during work on trailer decks and superstructures, where even falls from relatively low heights can result in serious injuries.

Across all operational contexts, collisions remain the most frequently reported incident, with 26 cases, underlining the importance of maintaining high safety standards both in yards and on public roads. The report also identifies recurring risks related to vehicle roll-offs, falls from height, equipment failures and transport fires, providing valuable insight into where preventive action should be focused.

Most importantly from the perspective of road transport safety, ECG reported that **the two fatalities recorded in the report occurred during transport operations.**

The findings underline the continuing importance of defensive driving, fatigue management and investment in driver safety.

They also provide a wider context for the role of secure truck parking. Drivers need appropriate places to take legally required breaks and rest periods in an environment designed with their personal safety and the security of their vehicles and cargo in mind.

Read the original ECG article here: *2025 Incident Report: Key Safety Insights*, published by the Association of European Vehicle Logistics (ECG) on 3 July 2026.

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