City blast firemen very ill

TWO FIREMEN who were injured in a Sheffield steelworks explosion are seriously ill today, according to hospital reports.

They were among 11 firemen and two BSC workmen, taken to hospital after a blast rocked part of the corporation's Tinsley Park works on Monday.

Fireman Paul Parkin, of Bramley Drive, Handsworth, and Sub - officer Robert Smith, of Cartmell Road, Norton, were said to he "very poorly" in Northern General Hospital.

Station officer Ellis, of Foxwood Avenue, Intake, who was transferred to Wharncliffe Hospital for special treatment in a burns unit, is "making satisfactory progress."

Still in the Northern General are fireman Robert Gorman, of Greenwood Road, Darnall, and fireman Peter Child, of Smalldale Road, Birley.

They were said to be "satisfactory" today after making a very slight improvement.