

Risk Assessment Summary Sheet

REF 053

Activity/Workplace; Loading of Salt into a Salt Spreader and Inspection of Load Safety Straps

Generic Risk Assessment					Risk Assessment after application of Control Measures					
Hazard	Risk	Risk Group	Likelihood	Severity	Risk Rating before controls	CONTROL MEASURES	Responsible Person	Likelihood	Severity	Risk Rating after controls
Working from Height Contact with Machinery Entrapment Poor lighting Inclement weather	Falling from a height Being struck by machinery Suffocation	All employees involved in Winter maintenance	4	4	High	<p>Ensure the mount/demount Load Safety Strap/chain is properly adjusted and correctly fitted before mounting and demounting the spreader. Never enter underneath the gritter unless the four legs are secured. The loading or unloading cannot take place without the Load Safety Strap/chain being in place.</p> <p>The hopper of the gritter should be empty when loading and unloading onto the lorry.</p> <p>Ensure that a competent person carries out inspections of the straps/chains and strapping's at regular intervals.</p> <p>During unloading, ensure the support legs are down and locked and bearing the weight of the gritter before removing the safety strap/chain.</p> <p>Stop chocks or other suitable device should be used to stop the gritter moving backwards when loading onto the lorry.</p> <p>The hopper must be loaded on a solid level surface.</p> <p>Ensure that only legible marked and labeled straps and strapping's are used. Ensure that there are spare holding down straps stored on the gritter.</p> <p>Ensure that straps and strapping's are never used when knotted.</p> <p>Visually examine strap/chain and strappings before each use. Straps and strapping's are not to be used if there are deformations, pronounced signs of wear or signs of corrosion.</p> <p>Ensure that repairs to straps and strapping's are only carried out by a certified supplier.</p> <p>Ensure straps and strappings when not in use are stored in</p>	Line Management & Employees involved in winter maintenance	2	4	Low

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						a cool and dry area. Straps and strappings must be protected against adverse weather conditions and chemically active environments. Operation of teleporter, loading shovel or digger only be carried out by a competent person. Adequate lighting is to be provided at each loading location. The illumination of the loading area shall not be dependent on the lights on the loading shovel to maintain suitable levels of light. The level of light should not allow shadows in the loading zone. Other than the necessary personnel required to load the salt into the spreader, all other personnel must stand outside the safe loading zone. The hopper is not to be entered at any time during the loading process or when the hopper if full of salt. The Gross Vehicle Weight of the gritter or the Safe Working Load of the teleporter must not be exceeded. If the driver is unsure about the safety of a vehicle he/she must contact his supervisor Employees must wear their designated PPE at all times.				