

## WORKSAFELY MHCA SAFETY TALK

Construction season sees a lot of heavy equipment and materials moving to, at and from worksites. Loading and transporting equipment are commonly overlooked causes of injury.

## What's the danger?

Equipment that has been improperly loaded or secured could shift or fall. This can injure workers, cause equipment damage or loss, and is a danger on roadways with other motorists.

Additionally, equipment that is transported on unsuitable routes can come in contact with hydro lines, potentially injuring the truck driver.

## How to protect yourself

• Always inspect your equipment and vehicle before transport

## Loading/transporting equipment

- Ensure chains and straps are not cracked, bent, twisted, stretched, frayed, etc.
- Ensure equipment is balanced and properly secured
- Keep chains and straps straight and tight. Slack can cause the load to shift in transport.
- Be sure to add flags to the equipment if it exceeds the width requirements for transporting
- Confirm all appropriate persons have been informed and permits have been acquired when moving large equipment
- Know your route
- After beginning a trip, re-check all load-securing devices and make necessary adjustments
- Be aware of other vehicles on the road
- Look up, and make overhead safety a priority!

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