

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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