

# **SAFETY TAILGATE MEETING**

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## LOAD SECUREMENT

### INTRODUCTION

When equipment is being used to transport materials, unsecured loads can cause serious injury or death. While not an exhaustive list, the following reminders will help us transport loads safely.

In our meeting, we will discuss securing loads on:

- (1) POWERED INDUSTRIAL TRUCKS
- (2) WORK TRUCKS
- (3) OTHER LOADS

### **POWERED INDUSTRIAL TRUCKS**

- Secure all loads so that you have complete confidence they will not shift or fall.
- Give extra attention to loads you have not previously moved. Always understand a loads weight and the lifts capacity.
- Even when loads are secure, sudden stops and turning too fast can cause them to fall. Slowing down and using caution when turning is a key element to keeping loads secure.
- Only use approved straps, chains and other rigging material. Inspect it and ensure it is safe to use.



## **WORK TRUCKS**

- Ensure all equipment and material in truck beds are tied down and secure. INCLUDING LADDERS!
- Loose items such as clipboards and hard hats can shift inside a cab. Instinctively we may try to reach for them. This is a distraction and can lead to an accident.
- Place and secure items where they cannot shift.
- Drivers and passengers are also "loads."
- Secure yourself by always wearing a seatbelt.

## **OTHER LOADS**

- Ensure all loads placed on a truck bed or trailer is secured.
- Ensure loads that are tied down so that they are "restrained" or "prevented" from moving.
- Use edge protection if the tie downs could be cut or torn when touching the cargo.

Note: Follow the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) handbook on load securement

#### **Group discussion:**

- What loads do we transport?
- What do you do to ensure your loads are secure?

Discussion on the specific loads you carry and how to secure them.

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