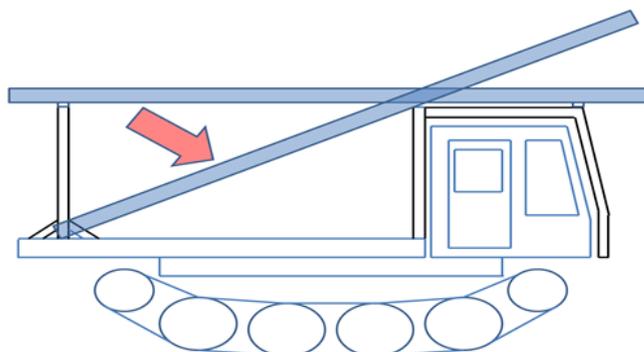


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SHE ALERT

External Alert – Serious Injury to PLPC linesman



What happened?

A team were transporting heavy wooden “Bog Mats” and other materials over very rough moorland ground using a tracked vehicle when the “Bog Mats” became detached and fell on top of an operative who received serious injuries.

The incident is under investigation.

Please refer to the attached PLPC Ltd Safety alert dated 30 July 2015.

What action is required?

Manager/Supervisors

- Consider how the load can be made secure when being transported.
- Ensure the plant and equipment is both suitable for the task and the terrain.
- Ensure training and authorisations are in date.
- Discuss the potential for harm in your Toolbox Talks or Setting to Work meetings.
- Ensure there is strict adherence to all procedures and agreed methods of work.

Everyone

- Periodically check the security of the load.
- Keep a safe distance away from moving plant and vehicles.
- If a load appears to be unstable, keep clear and safely alert all parties.
- If you find a problem, STOP and seek additional guidance from your line manager before recommencing work.

Communication by (✓)	LSG		Notice board		Tool-box talk	✓	Team brief	✓
Communication complete by (✓)	1 week	✓	2 weeks		1-month		2-months	

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SAFETY ALERT

SAFETY ALERT: Securing Loads

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What was the hazard:

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What must you do:

- Think about how the load can be made secure when being transported over rough ground. Could a load shift during transit?
- Consider sideways movement?
- Remember that a load that is not restrained is not secure.
- Ensure that all equipment used to secure the load is fit for purpose.
- Check that the load is secure before moving, stop the vehicle periodically and re-check the security of the load, throughout the transit. Increase the number of checks when traversing rough terrain.
- Keep a safe distance from all moving plant and vehicles
- If the load appears to have come loose, keep clear, STOP the transport and carry out a Stage 3 risk assessment before approaching.

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