



Every employee and contractor working for Northern Powergrid, should go home at the end of each shift uninjured and in good health after a productive days work.

## Incorrect labelling on 3 tonne yellow lifting slings

It has been identified there is an error on the loading label attached to some yellow lifting slings, see photograph below. Olympia Testing (contracted service provider) supplied the slings after the April 14 statutory inspections. A recall on the supplied slings was issued and we bonded them prior to replacement by Olympia. During the recall exercise, it became apparent that more slings where also incorrectly labelled, we bonded a total of 60 yellow slings which we are now liaising with Olympia to replace. To date, no other coloured slings have been found with incorrect lables. We will be working closely with Olympia to establish how the error occurred, wasn't identified earlier and if any other batches are known to be affected.

**It is important to clarify that there is no known fault with the actual sling, only that incorrect labels are applied. A table showing correct working limits is detailed below.** As part of our internal statutory inspection programme in July we are checking the labels on slings and advising colleagues to check loading labels on all slings prior to use.

Examples of correct labels are shown below



**Incorrect Label - 6t and 2.4t values are transposed and the 5.2t value should be 4.2t.**



**Please can you check all slings immediately and prior to use.** If you identify any which you suspect to have incorrect labelling, please return the sling to your line manager who will arrange replacement. Please contact Richard Barbour (716 0565) for any further information and to arrange replacement of incorrectly labelled slings.

<b>COLOUR &amp; LOAD LIMITS - WEBBING &amp; ROUND SLINGS</b>									
ROUND SLINGS	SIMPLEX SLING	ENDLESS & DUPLEX SLING		VERTICAL X 1	CHOKE X 0.8	STRAIGHT BASKET X 2	BASKET @ 90° X 1.4	BASKET @ 120° X 1	
AV. DIA MM	WIDTH MM	WIDTH MM	COLOUR						
WORKING LOAD LIMITS - TONNES									
18	50	25	VIOLET	1.0	0.8	2.0	1.4	1.0	
20	100	60	GREEN	2.0	1.6	4.0	2.8	2.0	
22	150	75	YELLOW	3.0	2.4	6.0	4.2	3.0	
25	200	100	GREY	4.0	3.2	8.0	5.6	4.0	
27	250	125	RED	5.0	4.0	10.0	7.0	5.0	
32	300	150	BROWN	6.0	4.8	12.0	8.4	6.0	
38	*	200	BLUE	8.0	6.4	16.0	11.2	8.0	
46	*	250	ORANGE	10.0	8.0	20.0	14.0	10.0	
58	*	300	ORANGE	12.0	9.6	24.0	16.8	12.0	
70	*	*	ORANGE	15.0	12.0	30.0	21.0	15.0	
78	*	*	ORANGE	20.0	16.0	40.0	28.0	20.0	
98	*	*	ORANGE	25.0	20.0	50.0	35.0	25.0	
118	*	*	ORANGE	30.0	24.0	60.0	42.0	30.0	
143	*	*	ORANGE	36.0	28.8	72.0	50.4	36.0	