

TAKE CONTROL

Prevent Serious Injuries and Fatalities

Suspended loads must always be treated with caution, and anyone involved must have the proper training and qualifications to operate lifting devices like cranes. But it's not just operators who need training and certification – remember anyone attaching a load to a lifting device (crane, boom truck, overhead hoist, floor hoist, etc.) must also be properly trained. You need to know the capacities of both the lifting device and rigging you're using to keep you and everyone involved safe.



WHEN LIFTING AND RIGGING

ARE YOU ABOUT TO...

- Use a **loader or crane (mobile, overhead or truck) to perform a lift?**
- **Rig a load** to be lifted?
- Do a **tandem lift?**

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IMPLEMENT THESE CRITICAL CONTROLS:

- Double check that anyone who will be involved is a **qualified or certified** crane operator, rigger, or signalman.
- **Designate one person as signaler**; the crane operator should only move loads based on signals from this person.
- **Calculate the weight of the load *before* selecting rigging** equipment and hardware.
- **Inspect** all lifting devices prior to use.
- Use **non-conductive tag lines** to guide loads. Check there is **proper clearance from powerlines or other obstructions** and **consider the crane's full extension radius**.
- **Secure and barricade crane operating areas**.