

GENERAL SAFETY GUIDELINES / REAR LOADER CRUSHING HAZARDS

Date:

Employee Name:

Shift:

Name of trainer:

YES

NO

N/A

Training
Needed

Objective: Ensures that all employees are educated on hazards associated with Residential Rear Loaders. Additional emphasis will be placed on the training in the form of Hands on introduction to Rear Loader vehicles, and additional Review of Job Hazard Analysis. Supervisors and Risk Management Specialist shall support employee accountability during routine route observations.

Employee Safe Behavior Validation;

Risky Decisions that some Refuse Collectors routinely make

- Entering Blade Cleaning Area without turning vehicle off and placing key in pocket
- Inadequate Pre Trip / Post Trip Inspections
- Excessive Speed / Not Driving Defensively
- Not wearing your seat belt
- Not wearing Personal Protective Equipment as required
- Rushing to get the route finished. Running is not needed
- Does not Remember that each bag weighing over 50 lbs requires assistance
- Does not Remember that all bulky items weighing over 50 lbs requires assistance
- Picking up trash bags while riding back step
- Stepping off rear step before vehicle comes to complete stop
- Staying on back step while Collection vehicle is backing up
- Allowing partner to stay on back step while backing up
- Not using a spotter while backing up
- Not understanding or using proper hand signals
- Talking on Cell Phone while driving collection vehicles
- Zig Zagging vehicle to collect trash on both sides of street. Must keep right at all times

Most Common Injuries and Accidents

- Backing
- Rear End Collisions
- Collisions at intersections
- Struck By Other Vehicles. Slow Down to get around
- Falling off truck back step
- Lifting Pushing – Heavy Bulky Containers
- Vehicle Tip Overs / Speeding
- Being Crushed by Container because container not properly secured
- Injured or killed by blade due to not performing proper Lock Out Tag out Procedures
- Overhead Power Lines
- Bridges
- Trees
- Cuts, punctures, needle sticks
- Chemical Exposures
- Weather related. Not properly hydrated. Right quantities of liquids. Tim Sinak ?
- Weather related. Slips of falls due to ice and snow

General Safety Guidelines

- Complete Pre Trip Inspection must be completed before taking vehicle out on route
- Each line of the Pre-Trip must have a checkmark or x next to item being inspected
- Any safety related defects shall be corrected before the vehicle is taken out on route
- Pay close attention to vehicle danger, warning, and caution signs
- Vehicle must be refueled at the end of the shift before leaving for the day
- Complete Post Trip Inspection must be completed upon returning vehicle to facility
- Vehicle must be plugged in after it is parked
- Employee shall notify supervisor about any over the counter or prescription medications
- When 3 employees are on route a follow vehicle with enough legal seating shall be used
- Employee understands that Supervisors and Risk Management shall conduct observations
- Inspect trunion bar and locking mechanism to ensure that they are functioning correctly
- Inspect wire ropes for excessive frays and wear as part of pre trip inspection
- Inspect hooks to ensure that safety latches are present and in working order
- While vehicle is moving 2 hands and both feet should be placed on handholds at all times
- While riding vehicle back step you should be facing side of vehicle and not outward
- Employee must never step off back step before vehicle comes to a complete stop
- Neutral Interlock has to be on in order for hopper to cycle
- Do not stand behind hopper while operating. Stand to side of hopper while feeding it
- Be sure and check hopper seals to ensure that hopper cycles properly
- At no time shall the employee sit or ride on the loading sill
- At no time shall the employees ride while standing on the Trunion Bar
- Packing panels have potential to cause injury. Always stand to the side
- Points of operation have potential to cause hand injury. Always keep hands clear
- Keep Hands clear of Trunion Bars
- Keep hands clear of operating handles when cycling
- Do not pick up trash while riding on riding step
- At no time shall the employee disable safety equipment

Spotters agree to observe the following safe procedures

- Does not ride on kicker bar at anytime
- Steps off riding steps before driver begins to back up
- Never cross or step behind the vehicle when its backing or when back up lights are on
- Remains visible in drivers mirrors
- Maintains a clear view behind the drivers blind spot (hazard area) behind the vehicle
- Avoids walking back ward when acting as a spotter
- Immediately signal the driver to stop if any person or object enters area behind the truck
- Does not ride steps when vehicle is traveling more than 10 mph
- Does not ride on steps when traveling more than 0.2 miles
- Does not step off moving vehicle regardless of how slow its going
- Does not step on moving vehicle regardless of how slow its going
- After the vehicle has stopped, steps off step, not jumps off step

Drivers of two man trucks agree to observe the following safe procedures

- Understands that Public Works has a goal to reduce Preventable Injuries and Accidents
- Understands that each person on vehicle should look out for the other persons safety
- Understands that cell phones must not be used on route, unless the vehicle is pulled over
- Understands that there is never an occasion where it is ok to text while driving
- Understands that you never enter blade area without turning vehicle off. Key in pocket
- Understands that their Supervisor is the first resource in getting Safety Related issues
- Understands that the Risk Management Specialist is another resource to assist them
- Understand what each hand signal means by participating in established training program
- Ensures that you and the spotter are familiar with the same type of hand signals
- Uses agreed upon hand signals to communicate with the spotter
- Checks both side mirrors repeatedly when backing up
- Checks camera in conjunction with mirrors when backing up
- Ensures that back up alarm is operational when backing up
- Ensures that hazard lights are utilized when backing up
- Ensures that spotter steps off riding steps before driver begins to back up
- Remains alert for poles, tree limbs, parked vehicles, tight clearances when backing up
- Stops backing immediately if visual contact is lost with spotter
- Resumes backing only when visual contact is restored with spotter or workers on foot
- Does not allow coworker to ride on kicker bar at anytime
- Does not allow coworker to act as a spotter while riding back step
- Does not allow coworkers to ride on steps when vehicle is traveling more than 10 mph
- Does not allow coworkers to ride on steps when traveling more than 0.2 miles
- Does not allow coworkers to step off or on moving vehicle regardless how slow its going
- Does not start vehicle in motion until the coworker is on the step and gives signals
- Uses caution when making sudden stops that could cause riders to be thrown from steps
- Obeys all traffic laws at all times
- Uses proper apace management when traveling behind vehicles. No tailgating

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Rear Loader Container Handling

- Ensure that the latches that secure the container are engaged before lifting
- Ensure that when the volume of the container exceeds the capacity of the loading hopper, partially empty the container into the hopper then lower the container to the ground to prevent the action of the packer panel on the material from interfering with the container and latching mechanism, until the packing cycle is completed at which time the container may be raised to empty the remaining contents

Two Wheeled cart handling

- Use the lifter in accordance with safe operating instructions to ensure safe operation
- Use only cart types designated specifically for the cart lifter
- At all times ensure that you do not place yourself beneath a raised cart or lifter
 - Do not modify a lifter as to reduce the cycle time below that indicated on the marking

Comments:

Declaration: This certifies that the employee acknowledges that they have been provided information about the safe behaviors essential for operating a Rear Loader, and agree to perform their duties as described above.

Employee (Print Name):

Employee (Signature):

Date:

Employee Supervisor:(Print Name):

Employee Supervisor (Signature):

Date:

Risk Management Specialist (Print Name):

Risk Management Specialist(Signature):

Date:

