

Lifting operations and LOLER

About 5 minutes · Read it out, then ask the questions at the end.

Why it matters. Dropped loads and failed lifting gear can kill. Every lift needs planning, the right gear and competent people.

The hazards

- Overloading lifting equipment
- Damaged slings, chains and shackles
- Unplanned or rushed lifts
- People under suspended loads

Stay safe

- Every lift must be planned by a competent person
- Use only lifting gear that is marked with its safe working load and in date for thorough examination
- Check slings and accessories before use
- Never stand or walk under a suspended load
- Use the agreed signals and one signaller
- Stop the lift if anything changes, such as wind or ground conditions

Ask the team

1. Who is the appointed person for lifting on this site?
2. What do you check on a sling before use?
3. What would make you stop a lift?

The law and guidance

Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations 1998. HSE INDG290, Lifting equipment at work.

General guidance to help you give a toolbox talk. It doesn't replace your site's risk assessments, method statements, permits or training. Check it against your own site rules before you give it.

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