

LGV/HGV DRIVERS: HOW TO STAY SAFE DURING LIFT TRUCK LOADING/ UNLOADING OPERATIONS

There are many risks involved in loading and unloading operations. Here are some important things to remember to keep you and those around you safe.

1. KEEP YOUR DISTANCE

Keep a safe distance from the area when loads are being moved and lifting equipment is operating, even when you need to observe loading/unloading.



2. AVOID DRIVE AWAYS

Always leave your cab. If you can't, stow your keys somewhere safe, like in the glove box.



3. STAY BACK

Do not return to your vehicle or adjust curtains / straps / etc. when lifting equipment is still moving.



4. BEWARE OF UNSTABLE LOADS

Loads can move or become unstable while driving and during loading. If you're concerned about the load safety, always talk to the Dutyholder on site. Don't be pressured to leave with an unsafe load.

5. GOOD COMMUNICATION IS ESSENTIAL

You may need to communicate with operators from different companies and in different languages. Ask for site layout and loading/unloading instructions and the loading/unloading process.



LIFT TRUCK OPERATORS: HOW TO STAY SAFE DURING LORRY LOADING/UNLOADING OPERATIONS

There are many risks involved in loading and unloading operations. Here are some important things to remember to keep you and those around you safe.

1. APPROACH WITH CAUTION

Only approach the lorry when the driver has left it, or stowed their keys safely.



2. BE AWARE OF THE DRIVER'S POSITION

Make sure the driver stays at a safe distance. Even if they need to observe loading, they should be in a designated area.



3. BE PREPARED TO STOP

If the LGV/HGV driver needs to return to their vehicle or has to adjust curtains, straps, etc., pause the lifting operation until they are safely out of harm's way.



4. BE AWARE OF LOAD SAFETY

If the LGV/HGV driver is concerned about a load and thinks the vehicle should be reloaded/reconfigured, make sure the Dutyholder on site knows about it.



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