

LOCATION TOOLBOX letter 3

Hoisting tools

Why this theme?

Every year hoisting and lifting activities lead to (near) incidents, among other things because of incomplete planning, because we are in the 'line of fire' during the executing or because we are careless in using tag lines or because we don't use them at all. Safe hoisting and lifting means having the knowledge of the appropriate techniques, using the appropriate materials and tools, training, experience, good preparation and execution with appropriate measures and adequate supervision.

How do you know if the work is done safely?

The '10 questions for safe lifting' is a control measure to be applied to each hoisting and lifting activity. One of the questions concerns the inspection of hoisting equipment.

Check the hoisting equipment used on location:

- Has the identification number been affixed?
- Has the CE mark been affixed?
- Has the Working Load Limit been affixed?

Specific points of interest:

- In the case of slings, is NEN-1492-1 of -2 specified on the label?
- In the case of round slings, check the layer, there must be no signs of damage
- In the case of flat slings, check tears
- Is there no serious dirt?
- Is the instruction manual present?

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Working Load Limit

Instruction manual

CE-mark

Sling

Lashing strap: not to be used for hoisting!



Round and flat sling

