

SAFE WORK PRACTICE

TITLE	Trailers
GENERAL	Single-axle trailers are used regularly to transport equipment, tools, & materials throughout the city. Special care must be taken to protect team members & public from hazards. Whenever possible, trailer use is limited to decrease incident potential.
APPLICATION	The following rules and procedures apply when using trailers
PROTECTIVE MECHANISMS	Safe Work Procedure PPE as per company or site requirements
SELECTION AND USE	As per Safe Work Procedure
SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITY	To facilitate and/or provide proper instruction to their workers on protection requirements
WORKER RESPONSIBILITY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Always inspect general condition of trailer prior to use (i.e. tires, hitch and frame). 2) Always inspect general condition of truck mounted hitch & ensure it is fitted with the correct sized ball for the trailer you are attaching. 3) When mounting trailer to truck, ensure the hitch is locked in place & secured with hitch pin. Attach electrical connections, breakaway chains, & trailer brakes as required. 4) Ensure that all signaling lights are in proper working order. 5) Ensure that all mirrors on the towing vehicle offer optimum visibility for the driver. 6) Always have crew members in truck assist driver with safe navigation through traffic. 7) Ensure loads are secure to eliminate shifting or loss of load. 8) Whenever backing of a trailer is required, a crew member must be on the ground, behind the trailer, to alert the driver of any obstacles.

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