

## **EQUIPMENT REPAIRS (BLOCKING)**

Date Revised:	March 2021	Overall Task Risk Rating:	Before Controls	В	After Controls	С		
Description:	Activities related to equipment repairs and the use of any of the following: hydraulic jacks, vehicle support stands (jack stands), mechanical screw jacks, mechanical scissors jacks, service jacks, etc							
Location(s):	Shop, Asphalt Plant & Construction Projects							
Associated Documents: Hazardous Energy Control WTS, Noise WTS, Equipment and Machinery Operation WTS, Driving and Vehicle Operation WTS. Housekeeping WTS								

## **RED FLAGS (HOLD WORK UNTIL CORRECTED):**

Note:

- If you are not familiar with the safe use of any machinery or equipment, ask your foreman / superintendent for assistance prior to starting
- If you are not trained and authorized to do so, do not commence maintenance / repairs tasks



- Visibility Protection Safety Glasses when necessary)
- The noise level exceeds 85 dB in the production area. Hearing protection should be worn during prolonged exposure
- Additional PPE such as hand protection (i.e. gloves) and eye protection (i.e. safety glasses) may be required depending on the task

# SAFE WORK PRACTICES (SWP)

General Equipment Repairs Practices:

- If you are not familiar with the safe use of any machinery or equipment, ask your foreman / superintendent for assistance prior to starting
- All equipment must be maintained and operated in a condition that does not endanger a worker
- Ensure equipment is Locked-out / Tagged-out out when making adjustments / conducting repairs to machinery or equipment
- To prevent movement of equipment on wheels ensure adequate wheel chocks are used
- Do not attempt to clear jammed machinery without first shutting off the power
- When performing maintenance or repairs on equipment, lock-out procedures must be followed
- Do not stand or pass under elevated forks (unloaded) or an elevated load
- Ensure Hoisting and Rigging WTS is implemented as needed
- Operate equipment machinery and/or tools as per manufacturer's instructions
- When in operation, do not leave equipment, machinery and/or tools or controls unattended

Support Structures (i.e. jack stands, wooden blocking):

- All jack stands shall be provided with labels indicating the proper procedure to be followed (generally provided by the manufacturer)
- Use the equipment for it's intended use
- All projects which require the raising of a vehicle or mobile equipment through the use of jacks shall use two forms of support at all times
- Jack stands shall be placed on a hard level surface capable of sustaining the load
- Jacks used to raise equipment shall be replaced by rigid supports (ie. jack stands or wooden blocking) as soon as practicable
- Support structures shall be properly positioned beneath a load to ensure firm, positive contact
- Loads placed on jack stands shall not exceed the manufacturer's rated capacity of the jack stand



- Jack stands shall always be used in pairs
- Wooden blocking shall be free from rounded edges, visible rot, cracks, checks or splits

Reversing:

- Look to the back and to both sides before backing up slowly and with caution
- Use a spotter or signal person when the view of the intended path of travel is obstructed and when there are obstacles to maneuver around
- Operators and signal persons are to agree on the signals to be used before moving the vehicle

Housekeeping:

Keep machines and equipment clean and report any leaks or other noticeable defects

Inspection:

- Before starting a machine or equipment, ensure guards and safety devices are in place, adjusted and functioning properly
- All exposed moving or rotating parts must be adequately guarded no one is to make any protective guarding ineffective
- Any equipment used for raising or supporting loads shall be inspected prior to its use

### Training:

- Employee Orientations (including roles, responsibilities, applicable workplace task standards, WHMIS, etc.)
- · Workers exposed to, or required to work with WHMIS controlled products/material, must be trained in WHMIS accordingly
- Workers required to handle propane must be a holder of a certificate or ROT (record of training) for that purpose
- Only trained, authorized personnel are allowed to operate machinery or equipment (i.e. cranes & hoisting devices)
- Only trained, authorized personnel are allowed to perform maintenance / repairs

Personal Protective Equipment:

- Workers on construction projects must wear, at a minimum, head, foot and high visibility protection. Eye protection when necessary
- Eye protection is required when completing tasks that may cause debris / objects to dislodge or become airborne
- The noise level exceeds 85 dB in the production area. Hearing protection should be worn during prolonged exposure
- Signal Person(s) and workers working in the vicinity of mobile equipment, must wear high visibility clothing
- Seatbelts must be worn by operators and passengers where vehicles / machinery / equipment are so equipped

JOB HAZARD AND RISK	Analysis	RISK RATING Medium risk of injury or equipment			
TASK HAZARDS	RATING BEFORE CONTROLS	TASK CONTROLS	RATING AFTER CONTROLS		
<ul> <li>Lack of Training</li> </ul>	С	<ul> <li>Only trained, authorized personnel are allowed to operate machinery or equipment</li> <li>Only trained, authorized personnel are allowed to perform maintenance / repairs</li> </ul>	с		
Equipment Failure	В	<ul> <li>Equipment shall be operated as per the manufacturer's instructions</li> <li>Implement Equipment and Machinery Operation WTS, as necessary</li> <li>Do not operate within legislated safe approach distances of energized overhead electrical hazards (wires)</li> </ul>	С		
Hazardous Energy		<ul> <li>Prior to performing maintenance or repairs on electrical equipment, lock-out tag-out procedures are to be followed</li> <li>Do not attempt to clear jammed machinery without first shutting off power</li> </ul>	С		
Electrocution	ectrocution B • Ensure all electrical repairs are conducted by a qualified person		С		
Struck-by Equipment, Lack of a competent signal person		Signal Person(s) and workers working in the vicinity of mobile	С		



### **SAFE JOB PROCEDURES** (SJP)

### Pre-Task Commencement:

- 1. Gather and wear the required PPE for the task on construction sites, all must wear head, foot and high visibility protection. Eye protection when necessary
- 2. Ensure the site-specific workplace violence assessment is complete
- 3. Ensure controls are in place prior to commencing work so risks are mitigated / eliminated
- 4. Determine what equipment / machinery / tools and material, are required for the completion of the task
- 5. Inspect all equipment / machinery / tools prior to use and document the inspections on appropriate forms when required
- 6. Ensure preventative maintenance activities have been completed where required, prior to using equipment / machinery / tools
- 7. If equipment / machinery / tools are observed to be damaged, remove it from use and notify the Foreman / Superintendent
- 8. Install fencing and hoarding where needed

#### During Task:

- 1. Shutdown equipment, machinery and or tools, requiring repair
- 2. In conjunction with Hazardous Energy Control WTS, Lock-out / Tag-out equipment and machines
- 3. Commence repairing operations, if it is safe to do so
- 4. Use support structures as needed, ensuring that they are on firm ground and are adequately rated for the intended load
- 5. As parts of equipment / machinery / tools are disassembled, ensure they are stored appropriately such that they wont roll or collapse
- 6. When in operation, do not leave equipment, machinery and/or tools or controls unattended

### Task Completion:

- 1. Hazardous Energy Control WTS controls to be removed
- 2. Ensure equipment has been repaired properly, with the correct parts and attachments
- Do not release equipment, machinery or tools, that are not safe or for any reason are not in accordance with the manufactures specifications
- 4. Ensure all equipment / machinery / tools are maintained and stored appropriately in the designated locations
- 5. Implement any housekeeping or maintenance as required