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1. Introduction:

1.1 Misuse and/or neglect of lifting accessories are a common cause of accidents, some of which prove fatal.

2. Main Points:

2.1 All lifting accessories must be used within their safe working load (SWL) which must never be exceeded. (Some rope slings may not be marked but these should be accompanied by a label indicating the SWL.)

2.2 Only ever use the correct lifting accessories for the task in hand and only ever use them as intended.

2.3 Visually inspect lifting accessories before use for any obvious faults — if in doubt do not use.

3. Points to remember

3.1 Never use fibre rope for lifting work such as welding or grinding.

3.2 Protect nylon and webbing from sharp edges.

3.3 Never tie a knot in a lifting accessory or join pieces together to lengthen it and ensure there is no damage before use.

3.4 Don't lubricate chains or rollers with oil or grease.

3.5 Use only approved shackles fitted with a working safety catch.

3.6 Check splices, rings and shackles, and check the bow and pin on any shackles. (Never use forged shackles.)

3.7 Land loads onto suitable surfaces and assist in easy removal of lifting accessories and to ensure they are stored correctly.

3.8 Ensure your hands and feet are well clear of the load before the load is taken and ensure the load is secure.

3.9 Ensure all lifting accessories are stored when not in use — they should not be left lying around as they can get damaged.

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All operatives **listed and signed** below Box Talk.

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