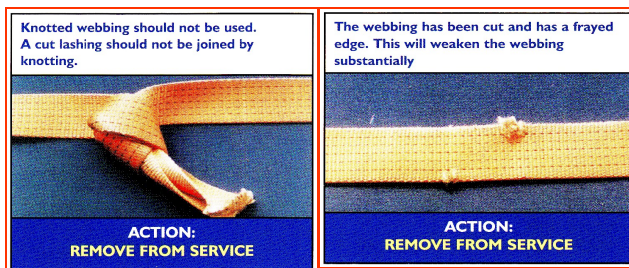
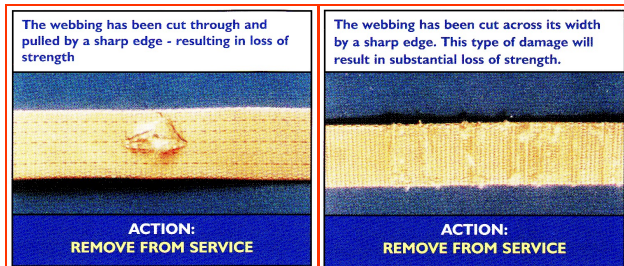


# Safety Newsletter

## Continuing with our theme on Driver Behaviour....

### Strap Standards - Quality

Why do some drivers believe that using straps in the following conditions is acceptable?



A cut, frayed or knotted strap will **seriously** impact on the strength of the strap and will not enable it to restrain to its 2 ton lashing capacity any longer.

If the driver is aware of this fact they can make an educated decision on if the straps they carry will be able to restrain effectively.

Please inform your drivers about **why** good condition straps are so important – if they know this they may think twice about using damaged straps.

### Strap Standards – Quantity

We still have far too many instances of drivers arriving without sufficient straps.

As a minimum, drivers should carry around 12 good condition straps, all to LC2000 standard – all with the label attached as per below:

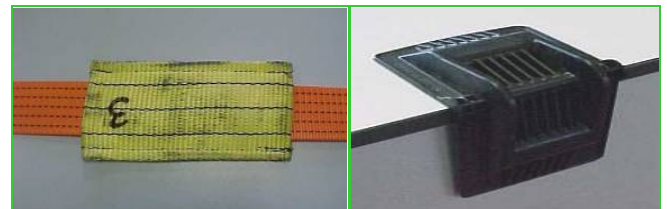


### Edge protection

A strap rubbing against a sharp edge like steel plate or section will weaken and eventually cut therefore rendering the load unrestrained and therefore increasing the potential to cause a very serious accident.

Again, it is important the drivers know **why** edge protection is so important, rather than just telling them they need it.

**Edge protection such as the examples below must be used at all times.**



### Seat Belts

Alongside this bulletin is the TSSP Safety Topic regarding wearing seat belts.

Drivers must ensure that they wear a seat belt when driving – including driving around sites. Highway code rules apply on site.

**For all behavioral issues, it is important people understand why they are doing something – people are more likely to conform if they have an understanding of the reasons for doing the task**

### German Police stops

Please advise P&O of any German Police stops and checks even if no action was taken against the driver.

It is important for us to understand how many Tata loads are being stopped through Germany for load restraint checks.

### New Driver Training Roll Out

During April, we have conducted 3 sessions of Driver training on the new package to our principal Coil Carrying hauliers.

The events have been very successful (no one fell asleep – always a good sign!) and training of the drivers is now underway.

Photo of session in Belgium....

