

Driver Behaviour.....Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Focus

Drivers arriving without the correct PPE remains one of our biggest frustrations!!

To understand why drivers decide not to arrive with PPE or not to wear it, I want to know if we all know WHY we are asking drivers to wear PPE?

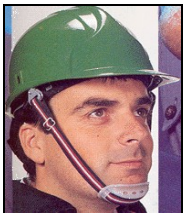
This months focus - Helmet and chin strapHelmet

A comment was made by someone on the Scunthorpe site querying why should they wear helmets – things don't fall out of the sky they said!

WRONG! Just ask the driver who opened his passenger cab door and got hit on the head by his winding handle:

Chin Strap

This has been proven in recent times that wearing a chin strap attached to the helmet in the event of a fall can save your life. This is not being dramatic – just ask the guy who fell backwards out of his trailer in Rotherham in October



Many hard hats do NOT have suitable chin-strap attachments please check when you purchase a NEW hard hat that it will accept a chin-strap, as shown above.

Cyclists

As the summer approaches, more and more people will be taking to the road via bicycle. Please re-iterate to lorry drivers to be more aware of their presence. As the TSSP monthly topic alongside this bulletin demonstrates, a cyclist fatality is all too much of a real occurrence.

Vehicle Weights

Following on from a recent incident at Tatasteel Strip products, we must re-emphasise to all Drivers to check their Vehicle Weights before leaving site:

- Vehicle Weights will be indicated on the Weigh Bridge ticket giving the Driver the information.
- Weights will differ between countries so the Driver must be aware of the various weight limits.
- An overweight trailer load will not only impact on the efficiency of the vehicles braking system (i.e. it will fail to operate as it should), it is against the law and can command heavy fines.

German Police stops

We said in the last issue that we need to know of any German Police Stops even if no action was taken against the driver. We have not had any information as yet, please keep asking your drivers to report these stop and checks.

Good Practice ideas

Alongside this bulletin is a Good Practice bulletin regarding visibility of securing hooks for crane/fork lift truck drivers.

If anyone has seen any good practices that we can share with the rest of the haulage community then please email tatasafety@pofm.com

New Rod Mill Local Induction

Tata have developed a new local induction for all stand trailer drivers arriving at the Rod Mill. ALL drivers must have this induction before dropping or collecting their trailers. Once issued the booklet will detail the drivers name; so when they return they can show this booklet with their induction card to prove they have been inducted and alleviate any need for repeat inductions.

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New stand Trailer Booklet

From the 4th May 2011 the Rod Mill Induction has change

You Must re-take your local induction
 If you have not, you will **NOT** be granted
 access to Scunthorpe site.

Please see one of the Safety Inspectors
 who will be happy to help you with this
 new process.

