

Incorrect use of Restraining Equipment

What Happened:

A driver was in the process of sheeting a load. The driver used a load securing strap to secure the sheet to a rope hook. During tensioning the rope hook sheared and the strap hook hit the driver under the chin causing a minor injury.



The snapped off rope hook

Findings:

- Non-standard method of sheeting restraint applied by the driver.
- Sheeting rope hooks are not strength rated or tested.
- Load securing straps and ratchets have the capability to overload a sheeting rope hook

Actions:

Communicate to all Drivers to only use the correct load securing Anchor points for load securing ratchet straps