

Tractor Unit and Trailer – Safety Focus

Tractor units and trailers are susceptible to the weather, especially during winter months. The cold, rain and salt water they are exposed to has the potential to cause damage to moving parts.

Drivers could be putting their own life and others at risk by attempting to repair faults themselves.

In order to prevent any accidents or incidents occurring, we would ask hauliers and drivers to check:-

Trailers:

- Trailer roof opens and closes smoothly
- Curtains open and close smoothly
- There are no holes in the curtains or roof canopy
- Trailer beds are clear and in good condition
- Coil well boards are not bowed
- Trailer park brake operates
- Airline couplings are in good condition
- Light clusters are working and in good condition



Tractor units:

- Serviced and maintained regularly
- Batteries checked and a battery isolator is fitted
- Audible handbrake alarm / reversing alarm are working
- Lights are working and in good condition
- Airline couplings are in good condition
- Housekeeping - clean, tidy and equipment well ordered



**Know your defect reporting procedure and numbers!
If you find a fault – Report it immediately.**

Look after yourself and your fellow drivers!