

## Safety Tip of the Week

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## **Rigging Safety**

Rigging looks like an easy operation, one that doesn't seem to require any particular skill or experience. But don't be fooled. Many people who've thought that "anyone can do it" have lost fingers or hands or suffered more serious injuries. We don't want any one injured while rigging on this job. So I'm going to point out some of the "do's and don'ts." Pay close attention.



## **Rigging and Hazardous Conditions**

When rigging loads, employees must be able to recognize hazardous conditions such as:

- Rigging equipment that is left in the immediate work area so as to present a hazard to employees;
- Improper sling or attachments for the type of load to be lifted and the environment in which it is being lifted;
- Worn slings and attachments or those with damage such as cracks, kinks, bends, cuts, gouges, and frayed fibers; and
- Improper storage of slings and misuses such as resting of loads on the sling or dragging of slings across abrasive floors.

## Get 'Hitched' To Safety...Know How To Rig Loads Properly!!