Hazard Alert



Hazard Summary

Failure to secure a vehicle from accidental movement, particularly when it is being worked on, can result in injury or death.

Safe Work Practices:

- Vehicles must be immobilized and secured against accidental movement by following the manufacturer's recommendations and industry best practices for safety blocking devices.
- Types of vehicle restraints may include:
 - Chocks
 - Parking brake
 - Immobilization Device
- Unless doing so puts a worker at risk, a machine must be locked out and remain locked out during any maintenance, testing, repair, or adjustment.
- Conduct hazard assessments of all work processes, and follow the resulting safe-work procedures.

What the Legislation Says:

Section 147. (1)

Occupational Health and Safety Regulations

Subject to section 148, an employer shall, before a worker undertakes the maintenance, testing, repair or adjustment of a machine other than a power tool, ensure that the machine is locked out and remains locked out during that activity unless doing so puts a worker at risk.

Section 10.29. (1)

Mine Health and Safety Regulations

All rubber tired mobile equipment having a gross weight exceeding 7,000 kg and any other piece of equipment specified by the chief inspector, shall have a minimum of two wheel chocks that shall be used when the operator leaves the equipment in a stationary position.

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