

Longshore Safety Tip

November 2004

FLOATING THE LOAD #1



Pacific Coast Marine Safety Code rules 1451, 1452 & 1453 states:

All Containers shall be floated prior to being landed on chassis or bomb carts

All containers shall be floated and hoisted only when there is no danger of lifting chassis, bomb carts

All Containers shall be floated and hoisted/lowered only when there is no danger of the container striking any person on the dock



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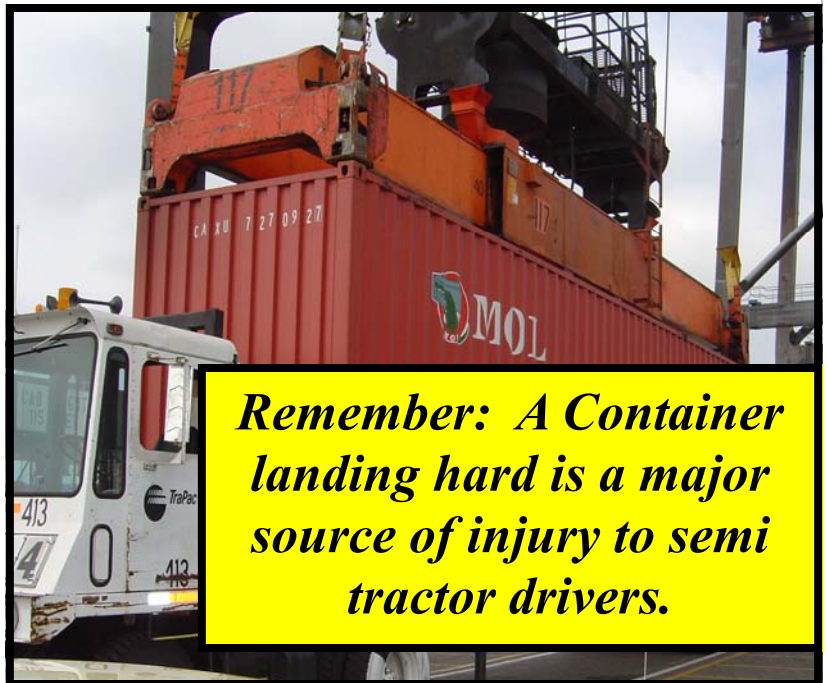
THE JOINT PCMSC COMMITTEE PLACED THESE RULES IN SECTION 4, SECTION 6, SECTION 8, AND SECTION 14 OF THE PCMSC TO EMPHASIZE THEIR IMPORTANCE TO SUPERVISION, CRANE OPERATORS, AND ALL EMPLOYEES .



Supervision, Crane Operators & Signalmen, must work together to ensure that the load is properly & safely landed to, or lifted from, a Chassis or Bomb Cart.

Working together to float the load will ensure that semi tractor drivers and others on foot near the container stay injury free.

Crane operators & Signalmen...the Safety of UTR operators are literally in Your Hands!



Remember: A Container landing hard is a major source of injury to semi tractor drivers.



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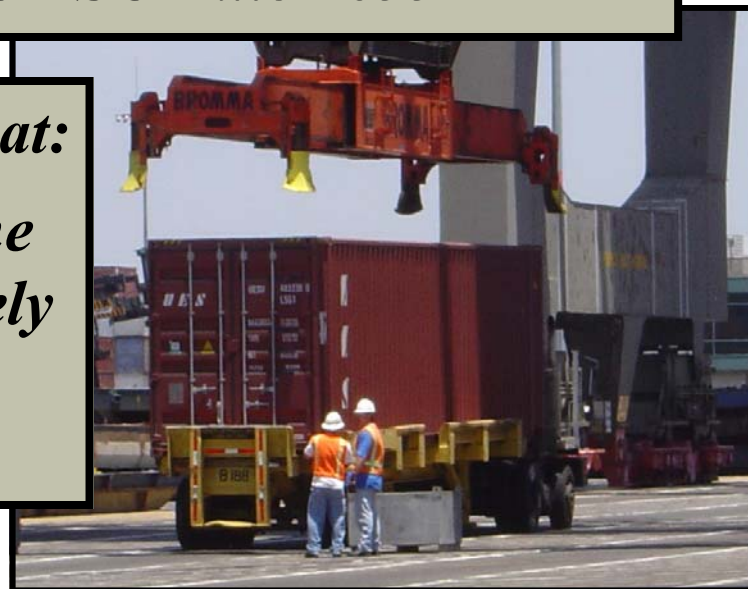


*Signalmen!
Make sure you have good radio communications with the Crane Operator. The UTR operators are counting on the both of you to keep them safe !*

Make sure you know the new container crane hand signals in PCMSC Rule 1633

Align the semi tractors so that:

- they are straight in the lane*
- the containers land squarely on the pins or in the bomb cart*



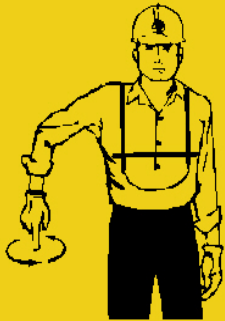
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PCMSC RULE 1633

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CONTAINER GANTRY CRANE HAND SIGNALS



LOWER: WITH ARM EXTENDED
DOWNWARD, FOREFINGER POINTING
DOWN, MOVE HAND IN SMALL
HORIZONTAL CIRCLES



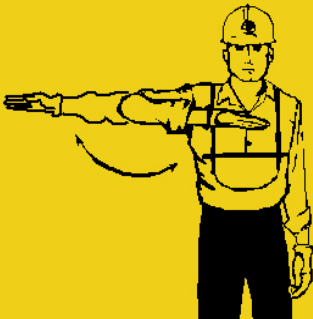
ALL CLEAR: ARM EXTENDED OVER
HARD HAT, PALM DOWN, MOVE HAND
IN A FORWARD TO BACKWARD
MOTION, REPEAT 2-3 TIMES



UP EASY: WITH ARM VERTICAL,
REPEATEDLY OPEN AND CLOSE FINGERS
AND THUMBS, TOUCHING FINGER
TIPS AND THUMB TIP WHEN CLOSED



HOIST: WITH ARM
VERTICAL, FOREFINGER POINTING
UP, MOVE HAND IN SMALL
HORIZONTAL CIRCLES.



STOP: RIGHT ARM ACROSS
CHEST THEN FULLY
EXTENDED WITH PALM DOWN



DOWN EASY: WITH ARM EXTENDED
DOWNWARD FOREFINGER POINTING
DOWN, MOVE HAND IN SMALL
SLOW CIRCLES. PLACE OPPOSITE HAND
PALM UP MOTIONLESS UNDER
HAND GIVING MOTION SIGNAL.



MOVE SPREADER/HOOK
IN THE DIRECTION
INDICATED.



**GANTRY CRANE RIGHT/LEFT
ROLL HANDS ONE OVER THE
OTHER IN THE DESIRED
DIRECTION OF TRAVEL**

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