

PRE-OPERATIONAL AND PRE-TRIP CHECKLIST FOR

Lowbed freight securement

SECUREMENT OPERATOR'S NAME DATE

MAKE OF VEHICLE REGISTRATION

DESCRIPTION OF FREIGHT

All the items in the "ITEMS TO BE CHECKED" column must be checked by operators before operating equipment.

Indicate whether each item is in a serviceable condition (using a tick) or not (using a cross). If irrelevant, write n/a in the comments section. If defective, comment on the exact nature of the defect and do not operate until reported and corrected. A new checklist then needs to be filled in and retained indicating that all parts are serviceable.

ITEMS TO BE CHECKED	ITEMS TO BE CHECKED
PRE-OPERATIONAL CHECKS:	DRIVER & CREW SAFETY:
REVIEW FREIGHT WEIGHT AND DIMENSIONS	CONFIRM PPE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CREW
ENSURE LOWBED IS FIT FOR THE LOAD	DRIVER BRIEFED ON THE FREIGHT SPECIFICS
CHECK STRUCTURAL DAMAGES TO THE LOWBED	ENSURE CLEAR COMMUNICATION SIGNALS
INSPECT LASHING POINTS FOR INTEGRITY	CHECK EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION
ENSURE LOAD MEETS TRANSPORT REGULATIONS	REVIEW EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANS
VERIFY CARGO WEIGHT DISTRIBUTION PLAN	ENSURE CREW IS TRAINED IN FIRST-AID
CHECK TIRE CONDITIONS AND PRESSURE	AVAILABILITY OF SAFETY EQUIPMENT
ENSURE BRAKES FUNCTION OPTIMALLY	CREW AWARE OF SECUREMENT PROTOCOLS
REVIEW WEATHER AND TRAVEL CONDITIONS	REVIEW SAFETY MEASURES DURING STOPS
CONFIRM ROUTES - NO HEIGHT RESTRICTIONS	REGULAR BREAKS FOR DRIVER'S ALERTNESS
SECUREMENT EQUIPMENT CHECK:	DOCUMENTATION AND COMPLIANCE:
ASSESS ALL CHAINS AND BINDERS	CONFIRM TRANSPORT PERMITS IN ORDER
CHECK RATCHET STRAPS FOR WEAR AND TEAR	REVIEW WEIGHT PERMITS IF APPLICABLE
VERIFY NUMBER OF TIE-DOWNS REQUIRED	ENSURE DRIVER'S LOGS ARE UPDATED
INSPECT CORNER PROTECTORS AND PADS	MAINTAIN FREIGHT DOCUMENTATION
ENSURE AVAILABILITY OF ANTI-SLIP MATS	KEEP EQUIPMENT INSPECTION LOGS
EXAMINE ALL TENSIONING DEVICES	REVIEW ROUTE PLANNING & ALTERNATIVES
CONFIRM CHAINS' WEIGHT RATINGS	CHECKLISTS FOR LOADING & OFFLOADING
TEST DUNNAGE AND BLOCKING TOOLS	CONFIRM CARGO INSURANCE COVERAGE
CHECK EDGE PROTECTORS FOR SHARP LOADS	HAVE EMERGENCY NUMBERS ACCESSIBLE
REVIEW ALL MANDATORY SIGNAGE	KEEP UPDATED - TRAFFIC NOTIFICATIONS
LOAD SECUREMENT PROCEDURES:	MISCELLANEOUS:
LOAD DISTRIBUTION IS BALANCED	TEST COMMUNICATION DEVICES
DIRECT CONTACT SECURED ITEMS AVOIDED	ENSURE FUEL LEVELS ARE ADEQUATE
APPLY FORWARD FORCE - FORWARD MOVEMENT	SPARE TIRE AND TOOLS AVAILABILITY
SECURE LATERAL MOVEMENTS ADEQUATELY	KNOWLEDGE OF NEAREST REPAIR STOPS
CONSIDER UPWARD FORCE FOR LIFTING	CHECK IF LIGHTS AND INDICATORS WORK
PREVENT ANY REARWARD MOVEMENTS	REVIEW BACKUP PLANS FOR EMERGENCIES
CROSS-CHAIN TIE-DOWNS WHEN NECESSARY	CLEAN MIRRORS FOR BETTER VISIBILITY
DOUBLE-CHECK ALL ATTACHMENT POINTS	RECHECK WEATHER UPDATES REGULARLY
ENSURE ZERO LOAD SHIFTS DURING TRANSIT	MAINTAIN SAFE FOLLOWING DISTANCES
RECHECK SECUREMENT AFTER INITIAL MILES	DEFENSIVE DRIVING TECHNIQUES REFRESH

OPERATOR SIGNATURE DATE

The mark of excellence in lowbed transport isn't speed, but the unwavering assurance of secure delivery.