## A Safety Instructions



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## THESE INSTRUCTIONS MUST BE READ BY THE USER BEFORE OPERATING THE EQUIPMENT.

- This equipment is designed to be operated by someone with normal ability. Persons with a disability or injury must assess whether their disability, when using the equipment, will affect their health and safety and the safety of others.
- It should only be operated by someone with experience of similar equipment.
- This equipment must not be used by anyone whose competence is impaired, for example by drink or drugs.

**12.7** Trailers

- 1 Trailers must be used correctly according to the manufacturer's or owner's operating instructions, which are available on request if required.
- 2 CHECK that all persons and animals are clear of the work area when loading a trailer.
- 3 ENSURE that the trailers load capacity is not exceeded.
- 4 Wear personal protective equipment; safety hat, safety boots and gloves are usually necessary.
- **5 CHECK** that the road lights and indicators are working correctly and that the towing vehicle's registration plate is attached in the appropriate position.
- 6 **ENSURE** that the hand brake (if fitted) operates correctly.
- 7 Attach the emergency breakaway cable to a secure point on the towing vehicle.
- **8 CHECK** the condition of the cable if frayed or kinked, the trailer **MUST NOT** be used but returned to the Hire Company immediately.
- 9 CHECK the tyres to ensure that they are not damaged and that they are correctly inflated.
- **10 ENSURE** when loading the trailer that it is on firm ground, the jockey wheel is in the lowered position and the hand brake applied (if fitted).
- **11 ENSURE** the wheels are chocked to prevent the trailer from moving when being loaded if not fitted with a hand brake.
- **12 ENSURE** that the load has been secured the jockey wheel and loading ramp (if fitted) are in the raised position and the hand brake has been released before towing away.
- **13 ENSURE** that when manoeuvring or reversing the trailer, that there is sufficient clearance in all direction and that there are no persons in the area.
- **14** Tow away when satisfied that it is safe to do so.
- **15 ENSURE** that the recommended speed limit is adhered to.
- 16 DO NOT attempt repairs. Contact the Hire Company.



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