



# West Bay Sanitary District Code of Safe Practice

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Code of Safe Practice should be directed  
to the Regulatory Compliance Coordinator.

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## Equipment Transport Trailer

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These safe work practices shall be followed while loading and unloading equipment from the transport trailer.

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- Pre-inspect equipment including rental equipment.
- Review and understand the manufacturer's operator's manual for this transport trailer.
- Back up to trailer with the assistance of another person when possible.
- After trailer is secured to truck, raise trailer stand and lock it in the up position
- Check for wear or damage to the following while securing trailer to truck:
  - Hitch connection
  - Safety chains
  - Electrical lines
  - Air lines
    - Be sure there are rubber washers in air-lines and gland hands.
- After the trailer is secured to the truck, and air-lines, electrical lines and safety chains are secured, switch air lever in the cab of truck. When proper air pressure is obtained, check air-lines for leaks.
- Check trailer brakes, release brakes in cab and move truck and trailer, then apply trailer brakes.
- Never load or unload trailer unless hooked to a truck.
- Check both winch cables for damage or wear.
- Never use small winch cable for pulling load on the trailer. Always use the large cable winch for pulling loads on the trailer.
- Never use small cable winch to lower the bed of trailer while bed is up and loaded.

- Drive equipment on trailer slowly to avoid damage when trailer bed tilts to down position.
- Know the weight of your load. Do not overload your vehicle.
- After loading equipment, lock ramp bed in up position.
- Only use loading ramps .
- Secure articulated lock on loader and roller.
- Be sure load is properly secured with chains, cables, ropes, etc. Use META guidelines for proper securing requirements.
- Always check the height of the load before transporting equipment.
- Pull trailer with a truck suitable to handle the combined weight of the load and the trailer.
- The weight of the load should be centered according to the manufacturer's recommendation; 10% to 20% is the maximum weight allowed on the hitch.
- After parking trailer, drain the air tanks, if equipped with spring brake chambers.
- When towing trailer, observe trailer and adjust speed to weight of load and road conditions.
- Caution should be exercised when transporting equipment with a high center of gravity.

## PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

| Protection Area | PPE Required   |
|-----------------|--|
| Eye             | Safety glasses or goggles meeting the ANSI Z87.1 Standard. |
| Face            |  |
| Hand            | Work gloves.   |
| Head            | Hard hat.  |
| Foot            | Leather steel toe safety shoes or boots.                   |
| Body            |  |
| Respiratory     |  |
| Hearing         | Wear earplugs or earmuffs as necessary.                    |