

# SSoW 20 Safe Unloading of Trusses using a Crane



**Do not access the bed of the vehicle unless absolutely necessary and only when using agreed method of working at height safety equipment.**

## Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Required

	Head Protection		Hi Vis wear		Safety footwear		Hand protection
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## Main Hazards

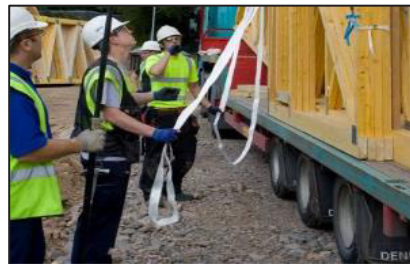
Weather	Manual Handling	Slip, Trip, Falls	Falling items	Falling items from above	Cranes

## Method

**1.** We will supply the trusses pre-slung. These slings are sacrificial and stay with the customer when the delivery is complete. The slings will be secured using banding to minimise the slack, as low on the truss as possible.



**2.** The customer is responsible for the provision of the crane, the necessary lifting equipment, the qualified operator, and Slinger / Banksman.



**3.** The Driver will liaise with the Slinger to ensure that they understand which pre slung batches of trusses are to be removed, and in which order. We will supply the trusses secured to the lorry with blue coloured rope. Familiarise yourself with the colour which attaches the trusses to the trailer.



**4.** The Driver will cut the rope that secured the slack on the slings.



**5.** The Slinger will attach the slings to the crane hooks,



**6.** The Crane takes up the slack on the lift.



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7. The Driver shall release the individual band attaching the bundle to the lorry. This should be completed from the ground using the telescopic tree cutters provided. The driver must be in a safe position when carrying out this function.



8. The Crane lifts the trusses to the area. The Driver must NEVER stand in the danger area where the trusses could potentially fall, or allow any others to enter the danger area



9. The customer may on occasion, ask you to assist in this function. You must do this from a safe position either on the other side of the load, or from a position that you have not put yourself at risk. The risks can either be from falling from the trailer, being struck by the crane jib, or the trusses falling in the event of failure on the mechanical handling equipment. If the driver has to mount vehicle he must do so under the authority and supervision of the site manager/contractor **using agreed method of working at height safety equipment.**

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