

## **POLICY – Trailer Lifting Chain Check and Compliance Certificate**

The Trailer Lifting Chain Check and Compliance Certificate was introduced by the LTSC and provides process/protocols to maintain the integrity of trailer lifting systems against design and build criteria, ensuring the safety of these lifting systems remains uncompromised. This policy has been created in the absence of existing codes of practice and has the support of WorkSafe NZ.

Policy to help manage the Compliance Certificate was developed through the collaboration, cooperation, and coordination of gantry owners, LTSC, Forest Owners/Managers and Transport operators. The policy involves an annual renewal process at the end of each calendar year, including evidence from the operator through a Statutory Declaration signed by a Justice of the Peace, confirming all trailer lifting systems are compliant. This is followed by the issuing of a compliance sticker for each vehicle, which remains current for the following year.

In the past, the requirement around only paid members requesting and receiving stickers has not been made clear so therefore we are making sure everyone is aware going forward that in order to receive a Compliance Sticker, operators are required to be a current financial member of the LTSC.

The issuing of trailer lifting stickers comes free of charge to LTSC members.

Points to note:

All trucks must carry a current trailer lifting compliance sticker.

Transport operators who receive trailer lifting stickers direct from engineers/manufacturers must be members – please get in touch if you are unsure [admin@logtruck.co.nz](mailto:admin@logtruck.co.nz)

The purpose of this policy is to further ensure the safety and wellbeing of those involved in loading and unloading trailers and to maintain a professional, regulated industry sector.

We appreciate your co-operation.

Kind regards,



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