




These guidelines are provided for the safety of personnel on site during unloading. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the WL Plastics plant immediately.

## **WARNING- PIPE FALLING OFF THE TRUCK CAN KILL OR INJURE.**

**DRIVER:**  Read and observe these UNLOADING GUIDELINES and observe all customer, employer, and regulatory authority safety requirements.

**DRIVER:**  Stop frequently during transport and check your straps, especially during temperature changes and first thing in the morning.

**DRIVER:**  Before unloading, give these UNLOADING GUIDELINES to unloading personnel at the unloading site.

**UNLOADING PERSONNEL:** Read and observe these UNLOADING GUIDELINES and observe all customer, employer and regulatory authority safety requirements.

### *UNLOADING GUIDELINES FOR WL PLASTICS POLYETHYLENE PIPE*

- Park the truck on level ground. Engage parking brakes. The unloading area must be large enough to safely unload and transport the pipe to the storage area.
- Do not loosen or remove load straps until the load has been checked to be sure that it has not shifted and is stable. Use caution straightening shifted loads. Straps should only be removed from the top row of pipe, one row at a time. Equipment should be in place to secure pipe before straps are loosened or removed. When the load contains single joints of pipe not secured by banding to another pipe or bundle, two pieces of equipment should be utilized to ensure pipe does not fall off of the trailer.
- NEVER GO TO THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF THE TRAILER WHEN UNLOADING EQUIPMENT IS MOVING NEAR THE TRUCK. Moving equipment could knock the load down on top of you. To avoid your own death or injury, tell the operator to stop moving and wait while you work on the other side of the load.
- IF A PERSON CANNOT BE SEEN, IMMEDIATELY STOP UNLOADING AND FIND THAT PERSON. Do not continue unloading until all persons are accounted for and are in full view. Persons not involved with unloading should move away and stay away from the unloading area during unloading.
- Never walk or stand on the pipe or the truck while pipe is being unloaded from the truck. Never remove pipe banding while the pipe is on the truck.
- Unloading equipment must have sufficient load rating to lift the pipe and must be in safe operating condition before use. Do not use inadequate or unsafe equipment. Never push or pull pipe off the truck. Always lift the pipe off the truck and place it on the ground.
- Lift pipe joints (lengths) off the truck with equipment such as a crane or a forklift. Use spreader bars whenever possible. Use fabric slings around the pipe. Do not use chains or wire ropes, which can slip. Forks must be long enough to extend completely under the pipe bundle, and set as wide apart as practical. Unload pipe joints or bundles from the top down.
- Lift coiled pipe off the truck with equipment such as a crane or a forklift. Unload coiled pipe from the front (the tractor end of the trailer) to the back.
  - When lifting non-palletized coiled pipe with equipment such as a crane, use fabric slings looped through the center of the coil. When lifting non-palletized coiled pipe with a forklift, pad the forks with protective material, center the forks together on the forklift, extend the forks through the center of the coil to the full width of the coil, and lift the coil off the truck.
  - Lift palletized coiled pipe with a forklift. Forks must be long enough to extend completely through the pallet. Center the forks, and set them as wide apart as practical. Extend the forks between the top and bottom pallet boards to the full depth of the pallet, and lift the palletized coiled pipe off the truck.

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Driver

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