



Towing Safety

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Possible Hazards Present	Personal Protection Required	Additional Training	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Weather - Terrain - Roll over - Jack knife - Longer braking distance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CSA protective footwear - CSA approved helmet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Operator Certificate 	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ensure hookup and safety chains are in good condition. 2. Ensure the hitch is appropriate for the load. 3. Keep load as evenly distributed as possible. 4. Attach trailer to tow vehicle and secure with metal retainer. 5. Raise and secure the hitch jack(s). 6. Cross safety chains under the hitch and anchor to tow vehicle frame. 7. Connect the brake cable to the truck and ensure the brakes work. 8. Ensure enough slack in the cable to allow for turns. 9. Check all lights and reflectors are clean and working. 10. Adjust tow vehicle mirrors to ensure clear rear view. (extensions may be needed) 11. Never allow riders in or on a trailer. 12. Reduce speed in adverse weather or road conditions. 13. Avoid sudden lane changes or U turns. 14. Allow for increased braking distance due to weight of the trailer. 15. Allow for wider turns depending on the trailer length. 16. Back up slowly and do not over steer. 17. If possible have a second person guide your movements. 18. Block trailer wheels before unhooking. 19. Park on level ground when possible. 20. REPORT ANY DANGEROUS SITUATIONS TO THE SUPERVISOR. 			
<p>Documentation/Legislation Workplace Safety and Health Regulation, M.R. 217/2006</p> <p>16 Machines, Tools and Robots 22 Powered Mobile Equipment</p>		<p>This Safe Work Procedure will be reviewed anytime the task, equipment or materials change and at a minimum every three years.</p>	