

# SAFETY DIRECTIVE

## Arc Infrastructure Vehicle Recovery Requirements

A number of high potential incidents have occurred recently involving the recovery of bogged vehicles. The following requirements are in place until a Vehicle Recovery Procedure is developed and training rolled out.

### Heavy Vehicles (>4.5T GVM)

**Option 1** - Self-recovery using the Maxtrax recovery pads and a shovel if required. A TRA/OPHA is to also be completed. If a recovery cannot be achieved then option 2 is the only approved course of action.

**Option 2** - Assisted recovery using a Specialist Third Party vehicle recovery service. If assisted recovery is required, the relevant **Regional or Project Lead must be contacted for approval**.

In-house assisted recovery of heavy vehicles is not permitted.

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**Option 1** - Self-recovery using the Maxtrax recovery pads and a shovel if required. A TRA/OPHA is to also be completed.

If a recovery cannot be achieved then you must **contact the relevant Regional or Project Lead** to discuss which of the following options is the most appropriate course of action:

**Option 2** - Assisted recovery using a specialist third party vehicle recovery service.

**Option 3** - In-house assisted recovery. Where in-house assisted recovery of light vehicles is to be undertaken, the **relevant Regional or Project Lead must be notified** and a TRA/OPHA completed prior to the recovery to ensure risks are addressed appropriately. Personnel must be trained in vehicle recovery and equipment must be correctly rated and in service.

Under no circumstances are snatch straps or chains to be used perform an in-house assisted recovery. Non-elasticised tow straps are the only approved method.



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