

## Safe Work Procedure

## Overhead Door Safety

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Department / Area:	Approved By:	Dat	e Created:	Review / Revised date:
Logistic &Supply Chain				
Management				
Potential Hazards		Personal protective equipment / devices		
Fill in those that apply		Required / other safety considerations		
H M L risk for injury		Gloves when handling sharp or jagged items of		
Awkward / sustained postures		when there is a risk of pinches		
Forceful exertions		>	Protective closed toe footwear	
Skin Compression		>	2-person lift (oversized door or made with heavy	
Sharp points / edges		composite material)		
Pinch points			,	
	hing or overstretching			
		Training / Reference information		
		>	Module 1 SCHIPP Orientation	
		>	<b>Department Orientation</b>	
		>	Operator's manual	
Note: Signs and symptoms of a musculoskeletal injury (MSI) can include pain, burning, swelling, stiffness,				
numbness/tingling, and/or loss of movement or strength in a body part. Report these to your supervisor				
Employers must ensure that workers are trained and follow this safe work procedure				
Steps to perform this task safely				
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## **Pre-Operational Safety Checks:**

- > Refer to the product manual for correct operation and maintenance procedures. Read and follow all instructions carefully.
- Ensure all overhead doors panels are secured within their tracks before attempting opening or closing.
- > Do not use if repair or adjustment is needed. Springs and hardware are under high tension and can cause injury.

## Manual operation: (hand lift, chain pull)

- > Assess the load. If weight of door is too heavy, get assistance.
- ➤ Allow space. Keep area clear of obstructions (transfer carts, boxes, etc)
- Locate and use handles to prevent pinching of fingers. Follow proper lifting techniques is to:
  - Use a wide stance either side of the handle. Get close to what you have to lift.
  - > Get a good grip before lifting or lowering with both hands if possible.
  - Bend your knees and hips.
  - Try to keep your back straight, shoulders back and elbows in.
  - > Lift by pushing with your legs.
  - Don't hold your breath.
  - Keep the door close to your body when lifting.
- ➤ Once in standing position, continue the operation by pushing the door upwards in a smooth continuous motion until the door is fully open and stops moving. Do not force opening as the door can quickly return back to the closed position.
- > For oversized openings, open door using proper lifting techniques until beyond reach and use an extendable pole at door base to complete the opening operation.
- > Chain opening doors pose an entanglement risk, Use chain according to manufacturer instructions.
- Avoid over reaching, if door is beyond reach, use an extendable pole with a hook to reach the handles and pull door downwards in a smooth and continuous motion rather than over stretching or use a ladder.

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