
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999**

Lifting equipment for lifting persons

- 5.—(1) Every employer shall ensure that lifting equipment for lifting persons—
- (a) subject to sub-paragraph (b), is such as to prevent a person using it being crushed, trapped or struck or falling from the carrier;
 - (b) is such as to prevent so far as is reasonably practicable a person using it, while carrying out activities from the carrier, being crushed, trapped or struck or falling from the carrier;
 - (c) subject to paragraph (2), has suitable devices to prevent the risk of a carrier falling;
 - (d) is such that a person trapped in any carrier is not thereby exposed to danger and can be freed.
- (2) Every employer shall ensure that if the risk described in paragraph (1)(c) cannot be prevented for reasons inherent in the site and height differences—
- (a) the carrier has an enhanced safety coefficient suspension rope or chain; and
 - (b) the rope or chain is inspected by a competent person every working day.