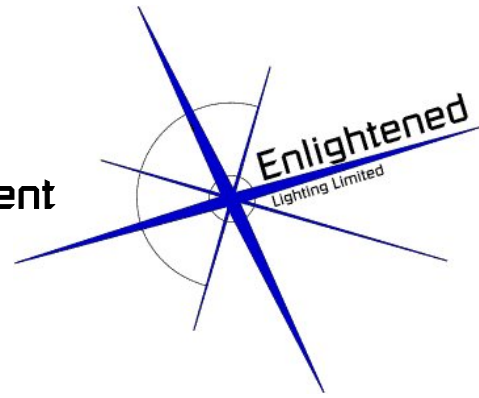


Rigging Inspection Method Statement



In response to the guidelines set out in 'The Lifting Operations & Lifting Equipment Regulations 1998' (LOLER 98) Enlightened Lighting enforces the following method statement. This is related to ALL lifting/rigging equipment used by Enlightened Lighting and supplied on hire to a third party.

1 Purchase Certification

All rigging will be purchased with suitable documentation/certification as to the quality of its manufacture and suitability of use, where relevant stating safe working load (SWL). This may take the form of a 'Certificate of Conformity' where applicable (eg. Doughty Aluminium Swivel Clamp). This documentation should be kept for the lifetime of the equipment and available at the time of inspection/testing or use. Each item of rigging should be clearly and uniquely serial numbered in order that it may be identified on relevant documentation.

2 Schedule External Inspection

Enlightened Lighting will ensure an external inspection/testing of all rigging will be carried out on an annual basis and documented accordingly. These documents will be retained for the lifetime of the equipment and produced at the time of subsequent inspection/testing.

External Inspection shall also be used as a means of assurance that Internal Inspection is being carried out to an acceptable standard. In the event that any rigging is found to be unfit for use where it has been approved by Internal Inspection a full review of internal inspection shall be undertaken immediately.

3 Internal Inspection

On return to Enlightened Lighting a competent person will carry out visual inspection of all rigging used. Following inspection individual items will be marked in such a manner that will clearly show that this item had not been used since inspection. Any equipment unsuitable for use shall be recorded and marked accordingly.

4 Pre-Use Check

Enlightened Lighting will always stress the importance of Pre-Use check carried out on site by a competent person.

Definitions

Rigging – This included all components in a 'lifting system' primarily the 'lifting equipment', 'lifting tackle' and 'lifting gear'.

'lifting equipment' includes the attachments used for anchoring, fixing or supporting it. Any work equipment used for attaching loads to it should be classed as an accessory for lifting.

'lifting tackle' & 'lifting gear' etc, for example chains, slings, hooks, shackles and eyebolts. Although some items, eg hooks and links of a chain, are not themselves 'accessories for lifting' but components of accessories, they should be subject to the same requirements as accessories.

Competent Person – A person, deemed by the management, to be able to carry out the task of inspection on rigging equipment.