

**Subject: FAILURE of LIFTING EQUIPMENT**

**What's Happened?**

The picture below shows a hoist cable following an incident on one of our sites, where the steel cable snapped, dropping the load 20m to the ground.

**How Did It Happen?**

The incident is still under investigation.

**Recommendations and Lessons to be learnt**

Ensure the following if you have any of this sort of equipment in use:

- Only authorised persons to operate equipment
- Equipment must have been thoroughly examined
  - 6 months for lifting people
  - 12 months for other lifting
- The equipment must be inspected prior to use and have regular documented checks
- Only correct lifting accessories to be used
- Only operate equipment in line with manufacturer's guidelines



Take care when operating equipment such as this