# Elite Concrete techical specifications

#### Risk assessment & method statement

These are generic R.A.M.S, not site specific and should be used as a guide only

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## TVCB off-loading R.A.M.S. example

Mechanical off-loading / loading of TVCBs from flat bed articulated trailers using a tele-handler/crane or similar with lifting chains





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## Risk assessment guide

| Risk assessment guide table |        |                            |        |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------|--------|----------------------------|--------|--|--|--|
| Hazard probability (prob)   | Factor | Hazard severity (sev)      | Factor |  |  |  |
| Highly unlikely             | 1      | Insignificant              | 1      |  |  |  |
| Remote possibility          | 2      | Minor – light damage       | 2      |  |  |  |
| Fair chance                 | 3      | Moderate - damage / injury | 3      |  |  |  |
| Highly probable             | 4      | Serious damage / injury    | 4      |  |  |  |
| Almost certain              | 5      | Dangerous - fatal          | 5      |  |  |  |

# Risk factor calculationRisk factor = Probability factor × Severity factorRisk factorCategoryAction

|         | Category     | ACTION                                  |
|---------|--------------|---|
| 1-5     | Acceptable   | Routine action                          |
| 6 - 10  | Acceptable   | Employ safety systems                   |
| 11 - 15 | Marginal     | Reduce risk / Employ all safety systems |
| 16 - 20 | Undesirable  | Maximum caution / Close supervision     |
| 21 - 25 | Unacceptable | Must not be allowed                     |



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#### NOTE: Check to see if a full lifting plan is required

| Description                              | Persons at<br>risk     | Control measures  | Prob | Sev | Risk<br>factor |
|--|------------------------|---|------|-----|----------------|
| Injury from<br>falling objects           | Driver/<br>pedestrians | All persons not within the vehicle cabs to wear hard hats.<br>All chains/lifting equipment to be certificated.<br>TVCBs to be lifted using fork-mounted hook attachment<br>(or suitable chains & hook) and lifting shackle*. The lifting<br>shackle will be supplied by Elite Precast Concrete or similar<br>approved.<br>Operator to be certified in the use of the tele-handler/crane/<br>excavator/etc.<br>Tele-handler/crane/excavator/etc. to have a suitable SWL<br>and Certificate of Thorough Inspection.<br>In the case of pre-used blocks, check the galvanised lifting<br>pin for signs of wear, corrosion or damage prior to lifting.<br>Check the shaft diameter of the lifting pin (5t Pin = 20mm)<br>and that the pin is not leaning or bent.<br><b>TVCBs should not be lifted with forks from underneath.</b><br><b>Never stand under a suspended load.</b> | 1    | 5   | 5              |
| Injury from<br>collision with<br>vehicle | Driver/<br>pedestrians | All persons not within the vehicle cabs to wear hi-vis.<br>All vehicles to be fitted with reversing alarms.   | 2    | 4   | 8              |
| Fall from<br>height                      | Driver/<br>pedestrians | All drivers to use harness, lanyard and carabiners and to<br>anchor to TVCBs on the trailer, or trailer to have side rails<br>fitted. Access and egress to vehicle via rear stepladder.   | 3    | 3   | 9              |
| Injury from<br>vehicle turning<br>over   | Driver/<br>pedestrians | Drivers to check terrain before beginning operations.   | 1    | 3   | 3              |
| Trapped<br>fingers                       | Pedestrians            | Operators to position TVCBs via flat sides, not inbetween colliding TVCBs. Gloves must be worn.   | 1    | 5   | 5              |
| PPE required                             |                        | Safety boots, hi-viz, gloves, fall-arrest harness/lanyard, hard hat, site-specified extra PPE.  |      |     |                |

\* Connected to the central 5t lifting pin, or via wire loops, to the 4 × M24 sockets (located in the top of the barrier).

NOTE: A moffett forklift with a suitable SWL and hydraulic grab may also be used to unload/place barriers this would require a separate risk assessment.

