

Introduction

This Customer Notice is issued to inform you of immediate learning from a recent event involving a Transport Containers approved by LLW Repository Ltd.

Non-Conformance – Lifting of Containers from the Top Corner Fixings

A recent event has been identified where a Customer lifted a loaded ISO container from the top corner fixings using a 4-point chain sling from a single crane hook. This type of lift is not permitted for loaded containers due to the container's structural strength being in the base assembly. Lifting of loaded containers by the top corner fixings is permitted only when using appropriate lifting equipment that will ensure only vertical forces are applied to the corner posts.

If any loaded containers are, or have been, lifted using the top corner fixings without the appropriate lifting attachments, LLW Repository Ltd must be informed. In order for the container to be subsequently returned for use as an IP-2 compliant package, a full structural assessment must be carried out and the container must pass a gaseous pressure fall seal leakage test. These steps are required to demonstrate that the structural and containment integrity of the container.

LLW Repository Ltd would like to remind Customers that they must ensure that all requirements of the relevant Packing and Handling Instructions are correctly followed for all containers supplied by LLW Repository Ltd to ensure compliance with the Certificate of Approval.

The latest Packing and Handling instructions are available from our website using the following link: <http://www.llwrsite.com/customers/packaging-services>

Please circulate this information to all relevant people within your organisation

Further Information

If you would like any more information or have any questions regarding this issue then please do get in touch with our Transport and Logistics Team by e-mail: transportandlogistics@llwrsite.com or by phone: 019467 22004.