

DTKINGS TRANSPORT LTD

SAFETY ALERT

Date: 28/4/2021	Mechanical
Topic: CG 470 Hand brake	Issued by: Handles
<p>Facts: On a wet Friday afternoon at Silver peaks, forest (Otago) the operator was loading the unit with logs when the truck and trailer took off down a hill hitting a parked ute before coming to rest in a tree, around 75 metres.</p> <p>Upon investigation, it appears that the handbrake itself was not functioning properly by not locking in, as it should. When the driver got a jacket out of the back bunk, it caught the lever causing the lever to drop. The driver was in the safe zone, and there was no injuries, truck was a total loss.</p> <p>The driver had only been on the unit for 3 days and had not noticed the fault.</p> <p>Mechanical inspection of the mechanism found it did lock in properly as other similar age CG470 models do.</p>	





Risk Awareness:

Safe Behaviour:

- Please check hand brake lever is locking into position before exiting vehicle
- Be careful when getting PPE or items from the back bunk in case they get snagged
- Making sure handbrake levers a checked as part of servicing and maintenance.
- Making sure faults are recorded on Pre-Checks sheets

For Site Manager use (print document and then complete):

This safety alert is relevant to my site? Yes / No

If yes,

- This safety alert has been discussed with employees and contractors
- I have placed this safety alert on the site safety notice board

Site Manager: _____ **Date:** _____
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