

PART 14: CRANES AND HOISTS

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Two-block prevention	14.25	If a crane or hoist is being used to hoist personnel with a load line, the line must have
		(a) a device to prevent two-blocking, if the equipment has a telescoping boom, or
		(b) a device to warn the operator of impending two-blocking if the equipment has a boom installed with a fixed length.

Explanatory Note

Section 14.25 is an exact replication of former section 13.98. This section was repealed as part of the proposal to amend Part 13 of the *Occupational Health and Safety Regulation* ("OHSR"), which was taken to a March 2004 public hearing and came into effect on January 1, 2005. In its place a new requirement, section 13.28, was enacted to reiterate the goal of minimizing the occurrence of two-blocking and to provide an alternative when it is not practicable to maintain a two-blocking prevention or warning device on certain types of equipment (e.g., the use of conventional lattice boom cranes in pile driving) . Section 13.28 provides as follows:

- (1) A crane or hoist used to raise a work platform on a load line must be equipped with
 - (a) a device to prevent two-blocking at all points, or
 - (b) in the case of a lattice boom crane, a two-blocking warning device.
- (2) Despite subsection (1), a work procedure acceptable to the Board may be followed to minimize the risk of two-blocking if it is not practicable to maintain a two-blocking prevention or warning device on a conventional lattice boom crane used for pile driving and similar applications.

The restatement of former section 13.98 in Part 14 of the *OHSR* was intended to ensure that information on two-block prevention was not overlooked if a reader reviewed only the information on cranes in either Part 13 or 14. It is proposed that section 14.25 be deleted as section 13.98 has been repealed.