

## MOVING EQUIPMENT SAFELY

Over the past several years, we have been addressing the issue of how equipment is moved throughout our building and how it affects the safety of the people on the workfloor. For whatever reason, some people just refuse to abide by clear regulations regarding this work. In almost every case, the people whose safety is compromised by the ignoring of these rules are not

those moving the equipment, but it is those in the area around the safety violator. <u>It must</u> <u>stop!!!</u>

With this in mind, I am urging all APWU members to diligently watch for drivers towing more than 3 containers at a time, towing containers with anything other than a tow motor, (e.g. longjack, power jack, forklift, etc.), failing to unhook linked equipment when dropping off, and to fill out a 1767 – Report of an Unsafe Condition or Hazard when you see such a violation. You do not need to name a violator if you prefer but we do need to work together to stop this repeat hazard from going on at the NDC before it leads to an accident/injury. You should get a copy of your 1767 returned to you by the end of the tour with a resolution from the supervisor.

I hope that those who are responsible for these safety issues are not offended, however, as stated above, the inherent risk is to those of us around the equipment being moved much more than the risk to the person moving the equipment. This issue has been raised hundreds of times and still it persists. Working safely in this regard not only keeps yourself and your coworkers safer, it also protects jobs. Please don't cut corners. Please work safely for everyone's benefit. Thank you.

In Solidarity,

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