

WAC 296-78-56513 Log carriages. (1) Carriages upon which employees are required to work must be solidly decked over.

(2) Dogs. Dogging devices must be adequate to secure logs, cants, or boards, during sawing operations.

(3) The feed control lever of friction or belt driven carriage feed works must be arranged to operate away from the saws or carriage track.

(4) A quick action valve, controlled from the sawyer's stand, must be located in the steam line to any steam operated feed works. The valve must be tested daily.

(5) Valves in steam feeds must be closed and locked in a neutral position before the sawyer leaves his station. Leaking steam valves or piping must not be used on carriage drives.

(6) Where employees ride the headrig carriage, clearance of the rear edge of the carriage must either not be more than two inches or not less than thirty inches from the side wall of the building. The side wall must be boarded over smoothly to a height of not less than six feet six inches from the setter's platform and for at least the length of the carriage travel.

(a) Where the clearance is thirty inches or more the floor between the back side of the setter's platform and the wall must be raised to the level of the platform. The clearance between the floor edge and the platform must not be more than two inches.

(b) Barriers and warning signs. A barrier must be provided to prevent employees from entering the space necessary for travel of the carriage, with headblocks fully retracted, for the full length and extreme ends of carriage runways. Warning signs must be posted at possible entry points to this area.

(7) Safe access to the head rig must be provided.

(8) No roof truss or roof timber or other obstruction must be located within six feet six inches of the upper surface of the setter's platform on any carriage.

(9) Doors which lead onto a passageway at the end or side of the carriage runway must be provided with a handrail opposite such doorway. Handrail must not be less than eighteen inches from the carriage run. A warning sign must be posted on the entrance side of such doorways.

(10) A stop or bumper capable of stopping the loaded carriage at operating speed must be installed at each end of the carriage run.

(11) Rail sweeps must be installed in front of the front wheels in the direction of travel. Such sweeps must extend to within one-fourth inch of the rail.

(12) Where power operated log turners are used, carriage knees must be provided with goosenecks or other means of protecting the carriage crew from climbing logs.

(13) Employees must use a stick or wire brush to clear head blocks of debris.

(14) All weakened or broken carriage boards that will not support the load and will be imposed with a safety factor of 4, must be immediately replaced.

(15) Carriage control. A positive means must be provided to prevent unintended movement of the carriage. This may involve a control locking device, a carriage tie-down, or both.

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