

Tailgate Inspection

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In 2018 TOIRMA experienced an increase in tailgate related claims. There have been a variety of circumstances and conditions that have contributed to this increase. Tailgates not closed properly and leaking materials, tailgates suddenly opening due to not being closed correctly, and tailgates simply falling off into oncoming traffic were the most common occurrences. In an effort to alleviate these claims, please incorporate tailgate inspection as part of your Heavy Equipment/Vehicle Inspection checklist (found at the back of the TOIRMA Highway Commissioner's Diary); if you want an updated inspection sheet for your use, please contact Matt Knight at (217) 444-1387 or Sean Richardson at (217) 444-1384. Always check the tailgate before and after each load.



Heavy Equipment/Vehicle Inspection

Equipment/Vehicle _____ Date _____
 Checked By _____

Checklist	Yes	No	Comments
Antifreeze Level			
Battery			
Brakes			
Clutch			
Engine Gauges			
Engine Oil Pressure			
Engine Operating Temperature			
Engine Running Smoothly			
Engine Supports/Main Springs Good			
Fan and Belts			
Fire Extinguisher			
Fuel System			
Glass/ Windshield And Wipers			
Hand Rail Mounted or Fastened Properly			
Horn			
Hydraulic Fluid Levels			
Lights			
Mirrors			
Oil Level			
Seat Belts			
Skid Plate, Rock and Radiator Guards			
Steering			
Steps Clear of Debris/Mounted or Fastened Properly			
Tailgate-Operates/Shuts Correctly			
Tires			
Tracks and Rollers Good			
Transmission			

