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Glass & Stone Products – General Use and Safety Guidelines

Inspect before every use (may not apply to all products):

1. Do not exceed recommended weight capacity
2. Do not exceed the recommended “load height”. Do not load anything onto racks that cannot be properly secured by hold-down bars or ratchet straps. Always secure load before moving or transporting.
3. If possible, balance the load on each side of transport A-Racks and shop carts
4. Do not allow load to extend beyond the ends of the racks or carts
5. Inspect ratchet straps, hold-down bars, glass and stone spreader beams and slings, glass shoes, protective rubber and wood for excessive wear
6. Maintain proper tire pressure for pneumatic tires

Inspect every 6 months (may not apply to all products):

1. Steel for flatness throughout the length of the rack or table
2. Steel welds for stress cracks
3. Tightness of bolts used for product assembly
4. Protective riveted rubber for secure attachment or glued rubber for proper adherence
5. Casters for cracks or other damage
6. Swivel casters with brakes and adjustable foot locks for proper operation

***Special Notes on Spreader Beams, Glass & Stone Slings and Glass Shoes:

1. When looping glass or stone slings around the ends of a spreader beam, be sure each sling is nested inside the same corresponding notched position on the top of the spreader beam. If a pin is included, be sure to always insert it through each side of the sling stop flange before lifting.
2. Be sure to use Groves protective glass shoes when using slings to lift stone packs of glass. Over time, bare glass will cut and fray the woven polyester webbing and create an unsafe situation when lifting. Groves’ shoes are available in five widths and should accommodate most thicknesses of glass stone packs. When fitting the shoes, choose the width that minimizes the open space remaining after the pack of glass is placed inside. Do not allow a tight fit to the glass. Before lifting, center the glass inside the shoe to minimize the open space on either side of the glass pack, keeping it as even on both sides as possible. Be sure the included pin is always inserted through the base of the shoe, underneath the sling.

IMPORTANT NOTE: If you have questions concerning any of the above guidelines, or any product not specifically mentioned, please contact Groves Incorporated immediately for further information.