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Dogging should be prerequisite prior to obtaining a crane licence.

I have noticed over a lot of years that new crane operators with dogging experience are more aware of the task at hand which it is a much safer option eg: ensure correct slings, slinging techniques, estimation weights of loads, keeping within safe limits & allowances for boom deflection.

Knowing the dogman duties makes the crane operator safer.

After a new crane operator obtains a licence minimum amount of supervised hours should be logged & signed off eg: drivers L Plate supervised hours before P Plate.

I have seen new operators been left alone with inexperience dogman which poses safety concerns.

**Bridge Gantry Cranes**

I have my HRWL for this class & I have operated cabin, multi hooks & 4 powered motion cranes.

To my understanding given information from Safework NSW if the BG Crane has only one hook or more one hook & both hooks or trolleys can be synchronised but not opposing there is no need to obtain a HRWL, please correct me if I am wrong, I have lifted 73t on one hook & loads 9m long X 3m in diameter weighing 50t and to Safework NSW it not classified as HWRL not required, (Have photo's of lifts)

I have seen BG cranes with the rated capacity of 220t which is used to lift large shafts (multi storey in length) with minimum clearances again with only 3 power movements. the loads are massive, and a HRW licence should be required

If you operate a mobile or Non slewing crane with the capacity over 3t a HRWL is required.

I think BG crane regardless of 3 or more powered motion which has the Rated capacity over 3t should obtain a HRWL BG crane are high risk & they can be misused.

Either the BG crane operator must hold a dogging licence or a licence dogman be present for all lifts.

I saw a BG crane operator without a dogging licence traveling on long travel with a 12t long round load signal wrapped a t 120 degrees which was a huge safety issue.

for more information please don't hesitate to contact me.