



WARNING

Can fail if damaged, misused or overloaded. Inspect before use. Use only if trained. Observe rated load. Avoid sharp edges. **DEATH OR INJURY** can occur from improper use or care.

RATED LOAD = RATED CAPACITY = WORKING LOAD LIMIT



WIRE ROPE SLINGS



INSTRUCTIONS FOR CARE, USE, INSPECTION, AND REPAIR.

CARE ♦ Store in a clean, dry place and protect from mechanical damage, extreme heat, corrosion, or kinking. ♦ Maintain lubricated condition.

USE ♦ Check weight of load. ♦ Check sling rated load for type of lift, angle of loading (see load angle chart). ♦ Sling shall always be protected from being cut by sharp corners, sharp edges, protrusions, or abrasive surfaces. ♦ Center load on base (bowl) of hook unless hook is designed for point loading. ♦ Balance load. ♦ Avoid jerking load. ♦ Maintain load control. ♦ Be alert for snagging of load.

♦ Avoid dragging sling over rough surfaces and from under the load.

♦ Stand clear of the load at all times. ♦ No person allowed beneath

the load. ♦ Persons are not to ride on sling or load. ♦ Avoid knotting, twisting and kinking the sling. ♦ Restrict use to temperatures below 400°F (fiber core wire rope 180°F) and above -60°F. **Important:** A single leg sling with hand tucked splice can unlay and drop the load if allowed to rotate during a lift. Always use a tag line.

INSPECTION ♦ **Before use**, look for rope distortion, kinks, cut or broken strands, corrosion, heat damage, birdcaging, or crushing.

Look at the end attachments for cracks, wear or deformation, hooks with twists or a throat opening increase. Look for *broken wires*: For strand laid and single part slings, no more than 10 broken wires in 1 lay or 5 in 1 strand in 1 lay. For cable laid and braided broken wire inspection criteria, consult the manufacturer.

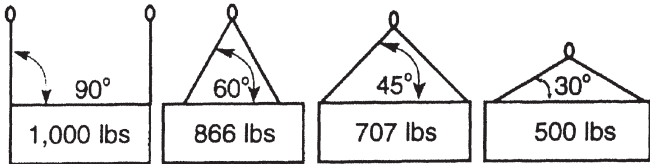
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If an inspection reveals that such wear or damage is present, replace the sling. *Frequent inspection* is done by the person handling the sling before each use and must include all of the *Before use* items. *Periodic inspections* must be recorded at least annually for normal service; quarterly or more frequently if in severe service or nearly constant use. *Periodic inspections* are performed by a designated person who records the observed condition and determines when further use would be hazardous.

REPAIR ♦ Any hazardous condition disclosed by an inspection shall require replacement of the wire rope sling. Repair is not an option when damage/wear seriously reduces the sling's capacity.

LOAD ANGLE CHART

Angle factor *must* be applied to calculate the reduced sling capacity when lifting force is not at 90° to the plane of the load!

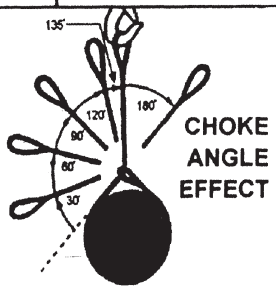


Multiply angle factor x sling's vertical rated load to calculate the reduced capacity at that angle.

Angle	Factor	Angle	Factor	Angle	Factor	Angle	Factor
90°	1.0000	70°	0.9397	55°	0.8192	40°	0.6428
80°	0.9848	65°	0.9063	50°	0.7660	35°	0.5736
75°	0.9659	60°	0.8660	45°	0.7071	30°	0.5000

Because of the greatly reduced lifting capacity, use extra care when the **horizontal** lift angle is less than 45° and do not make lifts of less than 30° load angle. *Example:* A sling rated at and lifting 1,000 pounds will be damaged – and could break suddenly—when the lifting angle is less than 30° at which angle the sling's capacity is reduced to only 500 pounds. *Important:* Use a longer sling to increase the angle which will also increase the allowable capacity.

For choker hitches, the lifting capacity is reduced by 25% or more, depending on the angle of choke.



ANGLES OF CHOKE	SLING RATED LOAD PERCENTAGE OF SINGLE LEG SLING CAPACITY
120 - 180	75%
90 - 119	65%
60 - 89	55%
30 - 59	40%