

MSHA's Accident Prevention Program Miner's Tip

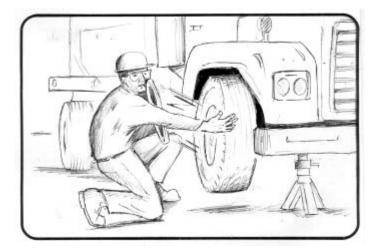


Multi-Piece Rim Wheels

Category : Maintenance Mine Type: All Mines

Miners have been killed due to the improper installation or servicing of Over-The-Road type multi-piece rim wheels. On October 30, 1999, a mechanic in New York was killed when he put a three-piece rim wheel assembly together with the lock ring installed backwards.

There are details you must know about certain multipiece wheels to keep them from literally exploding apart. Various wheel and rim manufacturers have compiled these safety tips and cautions in a shop poster format and will provide it to you free of charge. Call the toll free numbers below. Make it a point to get this information and **post it** where you do tire repairs. IT COULD SAVE YOUR LIFE!



IF you have equipment with Over-The-Road type multi-piece rim wheels, **PLEASE** do these few things before you do any tire repairs:

1) Call the toll free numbers below and get the free safety posters and charts.

2) **POST APPLICABLE INFORMATION** and include it in your training!

3) Match your wheel components to those listed on the charts.

4) Check out the **CAUTIONS** for the specific rim wheel that you are working with.

5) Pay attention to these specific **CAUTIONS** when working with these rim wheel components.

Safety Information Contacts:

Accuride Corporation (Also former Firestone Steel Products Company) 877-421-3736: Technical Information Request 'Safety Kit'

Alcoa Wheel Products International 800-242-9898: Literature

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Hayes-Lemmerz (Also former Kelsey-Hayes Corporation, Hayes Wheels, Goodyear/Motor Wheelll and Budd) 800-521-0515: Janie Guajardo

Redco Corporation 800-289-7332: John Spilker

Remember - Safety is a Value that you can LIVE with!