



# Safety Alert

## Use of Remote Controlled Lorry Loaders

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**Hill-Smith**

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## **USE OF REMOTE CONTROLLED LORRY LOADERS**



This Safety Alert is being issued as a reminder for the safe use of radio remote controls on lorry loaders.

As you are aware the consequences of not isolating remote control whilst moving can, and has in the past led to **serious injury and death**.

**REMOTE CONTROL  
ISOLATION BUTTON**



In the meantime, please find below some guidance notes, which have been extracted from ALLMI Guidance Note GN016:

### ***Safety Tips for Operators using Remote Controls***

- Always check site rules to confirm that the use of a remote control is permitted.
- Always use the belt / neck strap provided.
- The operator must always be aware of the working area, including their proximity to the load and vehicle.
- Never stand between the load and a fixed object such as the vehicle or a wall.
- Never move unless the remote control is isolated.
- Always use in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- Always ensure the remote is de-activated when not in use.
- Always store the control unit in a suitable place when not in use.



**WHAT CAN I DO?**

***If you see any Operator not following the above – please tell them – for their and others sake!***  
For further guidance reference

<https://www.allmi.com/overview/safe-use-of-remote-controls.html>

Please communicate this Safety Reminder as a Tool Box Talk and return the attendance sheet to Asset VRS contacts below.

If you are unsure or require further information please contact one of the named persons

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*Thank you!*