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TOPIC: Safe Practices—Chain Sling Inspection

Safe Repair

Chain slings should never be modified or repaired by operators; only qualified personnel should handle chain sling modifications or repairs.

Safe Removal

Chain slings should be inspected and removed from service if any of the following conditions arise:

- Chain slings have cracked or deformed master links, coupling links or other components.
- Chain size is less than required at any point of any link.
- Hooks have been opened more than 25 percent of the normal opening.
- Hooks have been twisted more than 10 degrees from the plane of the unbent hook.

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