

Truss Loading & Delivery

Upon arrival, the delivery driver will report to the appointed site contact to receive instructions and to identify the safe off-loading area, together with any information on specific procedures/hazards.

Manual unloading of Roof Truss Products (NOT RECOMMENDED)

- If off-loading doesn't lend itself to mechanical means then this manual method will be used. The TRA (Trussed Rafter Association) recommend that manual means are used when weight of truss is under 96kg
- The customer will be responsible for designating sufficient trained man power to complete the unloading operation and risk assess all manual off-loading
- If no customer representative is available on site to accept the delivery the driver will contact the production office and await further instruction
- All personnel involved in the manual unloading of goods supplied by Cambridge Roof Truss will use appropriate PPE. This will include Hardhat, Safety Footwear, Gloves and High Visibility Outerwear
- The delivery driver will be responsible for following all banks man instructions for the safe positioning of the vehicle, prior to un-sheeting/untying the load. The delivery driver will remain with the vehicle to release trusses as the unloading operation progresses
- Roof trusses are secured as bundles and each bundle is secured to the vehicle/trailer with sacrificial ropes. Load securing straps are positioned to allow release from ground level, thus minimising the need to climb onto the load. Each truss is only released after lifting operation is ready to commence
- Where fall arrest bags are made available by the customer, they shall be positioned against the off load side of the vehicle
- Only authorised persons are to access the delivery vehicle deck and will always proceed with caution. Three point contact will be maintained at all times, never jump from a vehicle and always use fixed access ladders
- Always maintain vigilance and be aware of the proximity of open sides to the vehicle whilst manually unloading. Never jump on to or from the load area
- The driver will release the blue ropes and black banding to allow individual trusses to be handled separately, before re-securing the remaining truss bundle
- Care to be taken when releasing black banding, as banding will be under stress
- Roof trusses are to be lifted down from the vehicle by a minimum of 2 persons or as is designated in the customers risk assessment. Trusses are to be received at the ground level by a minimum of the same number of persons. The customers own risk assessment will dictate the appropriate method and labour required in each individual case.