





## **Delivery and unloading of Crendon trusses**

As the manufacturer, Crendon will provide the contractor with details of the weight, physical dimensions, configuration and layout of the trusses to be delivered in advance, with details of bundle weights and their banding provided at the time of delivery. Haulage is provided by Crendon, and every one of our drivers has received the necessary Health and Safety training.

## **Unloading**

The unloading process is the responsibility of the customer, and in most circumstances mechanical handling equipment such as a forklift, telehandler or crane will be required. The current roofing quidance document from HSE (HSG 33) states:

- Always use a crane or other mechanical handling device for lifting trusses, unless this is not reasonably practicable.
- Trusses over 95 kgs should not be handled by manual means alone. Some form of mechanisation or mechanical assistance should also be used.

The contractor is responsible for preparing a safe working method for the unloading, transport on site and storage of trussed rafters, and Crendon can help with this – simply contact us for details. Should the safe working method identify any unusual requirements, it's up to the contractor to let us know before delivery.

Normally Crendon trussed rafters will be delivered in tight bundles secured with banding, so mechanical handling equipment, such as forklift, telehandler or crane, should always be used to manoeuvre these large units.

It's the contractor's responsibility to provide appropriate equipment and manpower, together with appropriate maintenance and training, to comply with this safe working method. They also need to provide suitable access for the truss delivery lorry, level hard-standing for unloading and ensure safe separation of pedestrians from the delivery and off-loading process.



Where a crane is used the Contractor is responsible for its hire and for providing a slinger/banksman suitably trained in off-loading trusses.

We have access to guidance on offloading without the need for anyone to access the bed of the lorry, thus eliminating the potential risk of a fall. This system uses single-use slings and removes any need for a fall arrest system around the lorry, so saving both time and money. We also use different coloured banding or restraint to help reduce the risk of the wrong band/rope being cut during delivery.

Sites use white lifting slings for Trusses and purple lifting slings for panels.