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Types of Ironmen (rail handlers) approved for use

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Background

Ironmen are rail mounted lifting devices that are used for moving lengths of running rail and conductor rail. Historically a number of types of Ironmen have had Plant approval but due to updated safety requirements, not all of these Ironman may meet the updated safety requirements.

The Iron men shown in the Photograph are manufactured by STEL and Permaquip (also known as Harsco). These two types of Ironmen meet the current safety requirements and should be the only types in current use. These are the only types of Ironmen that are currently provided and supported by Plant Services



Photograph shows the STEL and Permaquip / HARSCO Ironmen.

Previous models of Ironmen that still have approval but may not meet the current safety requirements are the Rotomag, Robel & Reid models.

Instruction

- 1 Ironmen other than the STEL or Permaquip / HARSCO models should not be used.
- 2 Should it be necessary to use Ironmen other than the STEL or Permaquip / HARSCO models a new Plant Approval must be obtained in advance via John Rose or Bill Meyers of the LU Plant Engineering Team.
- 3 Any Ironmen found on site other than the STEL or Permaquip / HARSCO Models should be reported to the LU Plant Engineering department.

Please communicate this alert to your teams, projects and suppliers as appropriate

Incident reference	N/A
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