

# HGV Coupling Failures

## High Potential (Hi-Po) Incidents

### The Facts

On Monday 16/07/2018 & Wednesday 18/07/2018  
Two HiPo incidents were reported. Both incidents involved  
trailers becoming detached from the HGV units pulling them.  
In both Incidents significant damage was caused to the  
trailers, both of which were loaded at the time.



### Causes

Both incidents were caused due to the trailers not  
being coupled properly and visual checks of the 5<sup>th</sup>  
wheel assembly not being conducted prior to moving  
the trailers.

### Corrective Actions

- Exclusion zone implemented
- Product removed and trailers recovered.
- Full investigation being conducted by the SHEQ and  
Transport departments.

### Further Considerations & Actions

- Please ensure that the 5<sup>th</sup> wheel assembly is  
checked and engaged properly prior to  
moving any trailer.
- If any defects are found or if in any doubt at all  
please **STOP** and inform the Transport  
department.



Images above from 16/07/2018



Image above from 18/072018

**SAFETY ALERT**



Think for a Second  
**Put Safety First**

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