

# The Nation's Orignal Dock Seal Manufacturer

## **Molded Wheel Chocks**

**Chalfant Manual Wheel Chocks** are the oldest form of trailer restraints that are required by OSHA. Because OSHA requires wheel chocks for docked trucks or trailers entered by fork trucks they should be included in the dock specifications.

### **Molded Wheel Chocks**

- Fabric-reinforced molded rubber; resist weather and offer long service life.
- Recommended for compliance with OSHA requirements.
- Other applications include the chocking of aircraft, barrels, rolls and trailers.
- Optional chain can be added to dock for extra safety and efficiency.
- Molded wheel chock measures 9" x 11" x 7" and weighs approximately 10 lbs.
- Laminated wheel chocks also available.

OSHA deems it is the owner's responsibility to ensure vehicles are secured at the loading dock by means of wheel chocks or a mechanical vehicle restraint.



Molded Wheel Chock In Use

### **OSHA Regulation**

OSHA regulation is concerned primarily with the security of trucks, trailers and railroad cars as they are loaded or unloaded with powered industrial forklifts. OSHA outlines mandates for wheel chocks in standard sections 1910.178 (k) (1) and (2) and 1910.178 (m) (7).

#### **Function of Chocks**

OSHA requires drivers to set the brakes, and workers to chock the rear tires of trucks before they are loaded or unloaded. If a driver detaches a trailer from his truck, he (or site workers who receive the trailer) must stabilize the trailer with jacks and chock the rear wheels. Workers must use wheel stops or other recognized stabilization methods to stabilize railroad cars.

### **Exceptions**

OSHA does not consider failure to chock wheels a violation under these special circumstances: workers secure the truck or trailer to a loading dock with a positive mechanical system. The facility management must use and maintain the system so that it prevents trailer movement while the workers board and unload the truck. The equipment must be installed according to manufacturer recommendations. The site supervisor must immediately retire damaged equipment or components from service.

For further information about OSHA regulations and any changes to their regulations please contact them and/or visit their web site.

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