

**PORT (CARGO)  
INFORMATION  
NOTICE**

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**SUBJECT:** Securing of all commercial vehicles with wheel chocks

**DISTRIBUTION:** All Calexico, Otay Mesa, Tecate, and San Diego Customhouse Brokers, Importers and Other Interested Parties

**PURPOSE:**

In the interest of safety to all persons doing business at the Otay Mesa Commercial Facilities, it has become necessary to begin enforcing the policy of chocking the wheels of all commercial vehicles parked on the premises.

**BACKGROUND:**

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**PROCEDURES:**

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The regulations for securing vehicles are found in 29 CFR 1910.178 (k) (1) and 1910.178 (m) (7):

29 CFR 1910.178 (k) (1) - The brakes of highway trucks shall be set and wheel chocks placed under the rear wheels to prevent the trucks from rolling while they are boarded with powered industrial trucks.

29 CFR 1910.178 (m) (7) - Brakes shall be set and wheel blocks shall be in place to prevent movement of trucks, trailers, or railroad cars while loading or unloading.

**ACTION:**

Beginning thirty days from the date of this notice, all trucks parking at the Otay Mesa Commercial compound or the Export Facility (Commercial West) will be required to be secured as described above. This applies to all trucks, whether or not they are being boarded or unloaded. Drivers who do not comply will be denied passage through the compounds.

Adhering to these guidelines will ensure the safety of all who do business at the facilities, and your compliance will be greatly appreciated.

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JOYCE HENDERSON  
Servicing Port Director