

FIX-N-FAX

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STRUCTURAL STEEL (Repairs or Modifications)

This Fix-N-Fax is intended to ensure repairs or modifications to structural steel components, such as tractor rollover protection system (ROPS), trailer frames and or any apparatus or vehicle frames are appropriate.

Rollover Protection System:

Under no circumstance shall any component of a ROPS be welded on or drilled. Whenever there are questions or issues on a specific ROPS, contact your local fleet manager prior to taking any action.

Trailer Frames and Structural Components:

When cracks are detected or there is a need to drill holes, modify or attach accessories to any structural component of a trailer frame, prior approval from the local or regional fleet manager shall be obtained.

Apparatus and Vehicle Frames:

Under no circumstances shall any apparatus or vehicle frame be welded on! When it is necessary to drill holes in any apparatus frame, contact your local fleet manager. The following criteria can be used as general guide:

Drilling:

Any existing holes in the chassis frame shall be utilized wherever possible. If additional bolt holes are required, they shall be drilled through the web of the frame, at least twice the "hole" diameter distance from the start of frame flange radius.

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