**SAFE USE OF BEAM CLAMPS**

**Using beam clamps safely**

Ensure that the beam clamp is of the correct capacity for the load being lifted and that the beam will not be damaged by localized overloading.

Ensure that the clamp is fitted correctly over the center of gravity of the item being lifted and will not be subjected to side loading.

Before listing a load ensure that the clamp has been tightened and that the lifting appliance is fitted correctly into the eye of the clamp.

**In-service inspection and maintenance**

Ensure that beam clamps are kept clean and moving parts are lubricated.

Regularly inspect beam clamps for wear, damage, distortion, cracks and any defects likely to cause a danger.

If any of the above defects are found remove the beam clamp from service and refer to a competent person.