

HOW TO USE FIBCS

The following handling instructions must be observed when operating with flexible intermediate bulk containers (FIBCs):

1 Do read the instruction label on the FIBC	2		15 Do ensure that the FIBCs are adequately secured during transport	16	
2 Do keep within the safe working load (SWL)	8		16 Do not exceed the safe working load (SWL) under any circumstances	21	
3 Do inspect reusable FIBCs for damage before refilling	8		17 Do not fill the FIBCs unevenly	21	
4 Do check that the discharge spout is closed off before filling	9		18 Do not accelerate or brake sharply during transport	22	
5 Do ensure that the filled FIBC is stable	10		19 Do not subject FIBCs to snatchlift and / or jerk stops	23	
6 Do close the top inlet correctly	11		20 Do not drag FIBCs over the floor	25	
7 Do use lifting gear of sufficient capacity for the load	13		21 Do not use lifting equipment which has not been adjusted correctly for the FIBC	26	
8 Do adjust the distance between fork lift arms to the correct width for the FIBC being handled	14		22 Do not allow personnel under suspended FIBCs	26	
9 Do tilt the mast of the fork lift truck rearwards to an appropriate angle			23 Do not tilt the mast of the forklift forward		
10 Do ensure that the area beneath the FIBC is clear of personnel			24 Do not withdraw the fork of the forklift until all the load is relieved		
11 Do ensure that crane hooks, bars or forklift arms used for lifting are of adequate size and are rounded off			25 Do not allow the use of unsuitable lifting devices		
12 Do consider the possibility of static electricity hazards			26 Do not stack FIBCs unless sure of stability		
13 Do ensure stability when stacking FIBCs			27 Do not use FIBCs in new conditions without consulting the manufacturer or supplier		
14 Do protect the FIBCs from rain and / or prolonged sunlight			28 Do not reuse single-trip FIBCs		
			29 Do not allow the repair and reuse of damaged reusable FIBCs without consulting the manufacturer or supplier		