Driver Safety – The Dangers of Loose Cargo Picture This



The truck has overturned while hauling a load of logs, and many of the logs have spilled onto the roadway. This indicates the cargo may not have been properly secured or balanced, creating a dangerous situation. Loose or shifting cargo during transport can affect vehicle stability, increase the risk of rollovers, and pose a deadly hazard to the driver and others on the road.

All cargo must be loaded and secured according to regulations using appropriate restraints like straps, chains, or blocking. Drivers should inspect their loads regularly during transit and before departure. Proper weight distribution and securement help maintain vehicle control and reduce the risk of accidents.

Training in cargo safety and compliance with the North American Cargo Securement Standard are essential for all drivers and haulers.