

# DISPOSAL OF DAMAGED OR FAILED WIRE ROPE & WIRE ROPE SLINGS

CUT OR  
DESTROY EYES  
TO PREVENT  
FUTURE USE

CUT INTO  
3' TO 4'  
SECTIONS TO  
MAKE MORE  
MANAGEABLE  
& RECYCLE

REMOVE  
OR SEPARATE  
ANY TAGS  
OR LABELS

When it comes to the disposal of rigging hardware, wire rope, or slings, the best practice is to render the items in question as unsalvageable, or in such a condition as to make further use impossible.

## REMOVAL CRITERIA:

- Severe corrosion
- Localized wear on the outside (look for shiny worn spots)
- A one-third reduction in outer wire diameter
- Damage or displacement of end-fittings — including hooks and latches, rings, or links — by overload or misapplication
- Distortion, kinking, bird caging, or other evidence of damage to the wire rope structure
- Excessive broken wires

USE PROPER PPE WHEN HANDLING THE PIECES OF CUT WIRE — CUT OR FRAYED ENDS OF THE WIRE ROPE WILL BE SHARP! Because there are no OSHA, ANSI, WSTDA, or AWRP standards or clear instruction for the disposal of damaged or failed lifting materials, the information listed above are suggested best practices.

