Removal Criterial

An alloy sling chain shall be removed from service if conditions such as the following are present:

a. Missing or illegible sling identification
b. Cracks or breaks
c. Excessive wear, nicks, or gouges. Minimum thickness on chain link shall not be below the values listed in Table 3.
d. Stretched chain links or components.
e. Bent, twisted, or deformed chain links or components
f. Evidence of heat damage.
g. Excessive pitting or corrosion.
h. Lack of ability of chain or components to hinge (articulate) freely.
i. Weld spatter.
j. For hooks, removal criteria as stated in ASME B30.10
k. Other conditions, including visible damage, that cause doubt as to the continued use of the sling.

Repair

a. Slings shall be repaired only by the sling manufacturer or a qualified person.
b. A repaired sling shall be marked to identify the repairing agency per ASME B30.9 Section 9-1.7.
c. Chain and components used for sling repair shall comply with the provisions of ASME B30.9.
d. Repair of hooks shall comply with ASME B30.10.
e. Cracked, broken or bent chain links or components other than hooks shall not be repaired; they shall be replaced.
f. Mechanical coupling links shall not be used within the body of an alloy chain sling to connect two pieces of chain.
g. Modifications or alterations to the sling or components shall be considered as repairs and shall conform to all other provisions of ASME B30.9.
h. All repairs shall comply with the proof test requirements of ASME B30.9 Section 9-1.6.

Table 3			
Minimum Allowable Chain Link Thickness at Any Point			
Nominal Chain Size		Minimum Thickness	
(in.)	(mm)	(in.)	(mm)
7/32	5.5	0.189	4.80
9/32	7	0.239	6.07
5/16	8	0.273	6.93
3/8	10	0.342	8.69
1/2	13	0.443	11.26
5/8	16	0.546	13.87
3/4	20	0.687	17.45
7/8	22	0.750	19.05
1	26	0.887	22.53
1-1/4	32	1.091	27.71
Refer to ASME B30.9			

Table 4
Grade 80 (Spectrum 8) Alloy Chain Working Load Limit — 4 to 1 Design Factor

Spectrum 8® Alloy Chain Size		90°	60°	45°	30°	60°	45°	30°
(in.)	(mm)	Single Leg	Double Leg			Triple and Quad Leg		
7/32	6	2500	3600	3000	2500	6500	5300	3750
1/4 (9/32)	7	3500	6100	4900	3500	9100	7400	5200
5/16	8	4500	7800	6400	4500	11700	9500	6800
3/8	10	7100	12300	10000	7100	18400	15100	10600
1/2	13	12000	20800	17000	12000	31200	25500	18000
5/8	16	18100	31300	25600	18100	47000	38400	27100
3/4	20	28300	49000	40000	28300	73500	60000	42400
7/8	22	34200	59200	48400	34200	88900	72500	51300
1	26	47700	82600	67400	47700	123900	101200	71500
1-1/4	32	72300	125200	102200	72300	187800	153400	108400

For choker hitch with minimum of 120 degrees angle of choke, WLL must be reduced by 20%, except when using the Crosby A-1338 Cradle Grab Hook.

Table 5
Grade 100 (Spectrum 10) Alloy Chain Working Load Limit — 4 to 1 Design Factor

Spectrum 10® Alloy Chain Size		(see drawings in Table 4 above)						
(in.)	(mm)	Single Leg	Double Leg			Triple and Quad Leg		
—	6	3200	5500	4500	3200	8300	6800	4800
1/4 (9/32)	7	4300	7400	6100	4300	11200	9100	6400
5/16	8	5700	9900	8100	5700	14800	12100	8500
3/8	10	8800	15200	12400	8800	22900	18700	13200
1/2	13	15000	26000	21200	15000	39000	31800	22500
5/8	16	22600	39100	32000	22600	58700	47900	33900
3/4	20	35300	61100	49900	35300	91700	74900	52950
7/8	22	42700	74000	60400	42700	110900	90600	64000
1	26	59700	103400	84400	59700	155100	12600	89550
1-1/4	32	90400	156600	127800	90400	234900	191700	135600

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