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ATA RELEASES WHEEL SECURITY GUIDANCE

The Australian Trucking Association has published a revised and updated version of its Technical Advisory Procedure on wheel end security.

ATA Chief Executive Christopher Melham said wheel security was an essential safety issue for every trucking operator and workshop.

“Safety must always be our first priority. A poorly secured wheel can cause component damage and may even result in wheel loss, which is a danger to everyone on the road,” Mr Melham said.

“This advisory procedure provides best-practice advice and extensive technical information on every aspect of wheel security, covering the types of wheels used, removal and installation procedures, checking the wheel assembly and manufacturer torque recommendations.

“Drivers should also be made aware of how they can check wheel integrity during a journey. The advisory procedure includes advice on how to perform these inspections, as well as a guide to help drivers estimate tightening torque when changing wheels out on the road.

“This guidance means that drivers can have confidence in the safety of a changed wheel until they can get back to the workshop.”

The advisory procedure was developed by the ATA’s Industry Technical Council, which includes operators and suppliers with leading expertise in truck technology.

This is the latest in the ATA’s series of technical advisory procedures, which provide best practice guidance for trucking operators, maintainers and suppliers about key technical issues. The procedures are available for free from the ATA’s [online resource library](#).

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