

## Ask Dave



- Q.** I was running a flatbed with a load of flattened cars and the DOT gave me a ticket for using nylon straps to secure the stacks of cars. I was using two straps per stack, which I thought was correct. Should I have gotten a 'cargo securement' violation?
- A.** Yes. The cargo securement rules changed in 2004 and stacks of flattened cars cannot be secured with nylon straps, if the straps are touching the flattened cars. You must use chains/binders or steel cable.

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