



Tool Box Talk

Rough Terrain Fork Truck Scaffolds

Special points of interest:

- Inspect the lift prior to elevating an employee
- Platform must have sleeves that enclose the forks
- Secure the platform to the forks or carriage
- The platform shall have a continuous guardrail system
- Elevated personnel must wear a PFAS
- Operators shall not reposition the fork truck while an employee is elevated
- Operator shall remain at the controls while an employee is elevated
- The combined weight of the platform, load, and the employees cannot exceed 1/3 the rated capacity of the machine

The rules pertaining to the safe use of this type of scaffold are contained in MIOSHA's Part 12: Scaffold and Scaffold Platforms standard. It is recommended that the operator and employees meet prior to the lift to discuss the safety procedures, lift location, and to inspect the equipment. When using this equipment the following safe procedures must be followed:

- The basket must be securely attached to the forks or carriage of the lift truck
- Driving the fork truck is prohibited while employees are in the basket
- The operator of the lift truck must remain at the controls for the duration of the lift
- Personnel in the basket must utilize personal fall arrest system (harness and lanyard attached to manufactures' attachment point)
- The total weight of the basket, personnel, and materials to be lifted cannot exceed 1/3 of the rated capacity of the lift truck load chart
- The basket must have sleeves that fully envelop the forks
- The basket must have a continuous guard-rail system
- Prior to repositioning the basket, employees must be lowered to the ground and must exit the platform while the lift truck is repositioned

By following the points above this type of equipment can be safely utilized to perform work at hard to reach locations on the jobsite. Training and communication are essential to the safe operation of this type of equipment.



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