

Forklift Seat Belt

Forklift Seat Belts - This guideline reason is to be able to describe the Regulation requirements for the application of operator restraints or seatbelts on lift trucks. It is the employers' accountability to make certain that every machine, piece of equipment and tool in the workplace is selected and utilized rightly and operated in accordance with the manufacturer's directions.

Rough Terrain lift trucks should meet the guidelines of ANSI Standard ASME B56.6-1992 regarding their maintenance, inspection, fabrication, use and design.

Side boom tractors and mobile machinery along with a Rollover Protective Structure, or ROPS for short, have to include seat belts that meet the requirements of the Society of Automotive Engineers, or SAE, Standard J386 JUN93, Operator Restraint System for Off-Road Work Machines. If whichever mobile machinery has seat belts required by law, the operator and subsequent passengers have to ensure they use the belts each time the vehicle is in motion or engaged in operation because this can cause the machine to become unbalanced and hence, not safe.

When a seat belt or other operator restraint is required on a lift truck.

While operating a lift truck, the seat belt requirements would depend on a number of factors. Contributing factors to this determination might include whether or not the lift truck is equipped with a Rollover Protective Structure, the kind of lift truck itself and the year the lift truck was made. The manufacturer's directions and the requirements of the applicable standard are referenced in the Regulation.

With regards to powered industrial forklifts, ANSI Standard ASME B56.1-1993 refers to an operator restraint device, enclosure or system. An operator restraint device, enclosure or system is designed to help the operator in reducing the danger of entrapment of the torso and/or head between the truck and the ground in the event of a tip over. The system or restraint device may consist of a seat belt, even if a seat belt is not necessarily a part of such machine or system.