

Seat Belt for Forklifts

Forklift Seat Belts - This guideline reason is to be able to describe the Regulation necessities for the use of driver seatbelts or restraints on forklifts. It is the employers' responsibility to be able to make sure that each machine, piece of equipment and tool inside the workplace is chosen and utilized properly and worked in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

Regarding their fabrication, use, design, maintenance and inspection Rough Terrain forklifts must meet the regulations of ANSI Standard ASME B56.6-1992.

Mobile equipment like for example side boom tractors together with a Rollover Protective Structure (ROPS), must have seat belts which meet the Society of Automotive Engineers safety requirements; Society of Automotive Engineers Standard J386 JUN93, Operator Restraint System for Off-Road Work Machines. If any mobile machine includes seat belts required by law, the driver and subsequent passengers should ensure they use the belts each time the vehicle is in motion or engaged in operation since this could cause the machinery to become unbalanced and hence, unsafe.

When a seat belt or other driver restraint is required on a forklift.

The seat belt requirements while operating a lift truck depend on different factors. Whether the lift truck is equipped together with a Rollover Protective Structure, the kind of forklift itself and the year the forklift was made all contribute to this determination. The manufacturer's instructions and the requirements of the applicable standard are referenced in the Regulation.

Referring to a driver restraint device, enclosure or system, ANSI Standard ASME B56.1-1993 in the case of powered industrial trucks, is designed to aid 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 include a seat belt, while a seat belt is not essentially a part of such equipment or system.