

Forklift Seat Belt

Forklift Seat Belts - This guideline reason is to explain the Regulation requirements for the application of operator restraints or seatbelts on forklifts. It is the employers' accountability to be able to make sure that each and every machine, piece of equipment and device within the workplace is chosen and utilized properly and worked in accordance with the manufacturer's directions.

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

Side boom tractors and mobile machine with a Rollover Protective Structure, or ROPS for short, need to have seat belts which meet the requirements of the Society of Automotive Engineers, or SAE, Standard J386 JUN93, Operator Restraint System for Off-Road Work Machines. If any mobile machinery includes seat belts required by law, the driver and subsequent passengers should make sure they use the belts every time the motor vehicle is in motion or engaged in operation since this could cause the machine to become unbalanced and hence, not safe.

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

The seat belt requirements while working a lift truck depend on different factors. Whether the lift truck is outfitted with a Rollover Protective Structure, the kind of forklift itself and the year the forklift was made all add 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, system or enclosure, ANSI Standard ASME B56.1-1993 with regards to powered industrial trucks, is intended to help the operator in lowering the probability 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 could consist of a seat belt, although a seat belt is not necessarily a part of such machine or system.