

Seat Belt for Forklift

Forklift Seat Belts - This guideline purpose is to describe the Regulation necessities for the use of driver seatbelts or restraints on forklifts. It is the employers' liability to make sure that each and every machinery, piece of equipment and tool in the workplace is chosen and used correctly and operated according to the manufacturer's instructions.

Rough Terrain forklifts should meet the guidelines of ANSI Standard ASME B56.6-1992 with regards to their fabrication, use, design, maintenance and inspection.

Side boom tractors and mobile machine 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 machine includes seat belts required by law, the driver and subsequent passengers have to ensure they make use of the belts whenever the motor vehicle is in motion or engaged in operation since this could cause the equipment to become unbalanced and therefore, not safe.

If a seat belt or various operator restraint is needed on a lift truck.

While operating a lift truck, the seat belt requirements will depend on some factors. Contributing factors to this determination may include whether or not the lift truck is equipped along with a Rollover Protective Structure, the type of lift truck itself and the year the lift truck was manufactured. The manufacturer's instructions and the requirements of the applicable standard are referenced in the Regulation.

With regards 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 driver in lowering the danger of entrapment of the head and/or torso between the truck and the ground in the event of a tip over. The restraint device or system can consist of a seat belt, though a seat belt is not essentially a part of such equipment or system.