Forklift Seat Belts

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

In regards to their use, design, maintenance, inspection and fabrication Rough Terrain lift trucks must satisfy the guidelines of ANSI Standard ASME B56.6-1992.

Side boom tractors and mobile machine along with a Rollover Protective Structure, or ROPS for short, must 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 driver and subsequent passengers ought to ensure they make use of the belts each time the vehicle is in motion or engaged in operation in view of the fact that this can cause the machine to become unbalanced and hence, not safe.

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

The seat belt requirements while operating a lift truck depend on various factors. Whether or not the lift truck is equipped along with a Rollover Protective Structure, the type of lift truck itself and the year the forklift was manufactured all add to this determination. The manufacturer's directions and the requirements of the applicable standard are referenced in the Regulation.

Referring to an operator restraint device, enclosure or system, ANSI Standard ASME B56.1-1993 with regards to powered industrial trucks, is intended to help the driver in lessening the chance 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 include a seat belt, though a seat belt is not necessarily a part of such machine or system.