

## Seat Belts for Forklift

Forklift Seat Belts - Described in the Regulation guidelines are the utilization of seatbelts and operator restraints on lift trucks. It says that the accountability falls on the employers' to ensure that every machinery, piece of equipment and device is used correctly used in accordance to the instructions of the maker.

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

Mobile machines like for example side boom tractors with a Rollover Protective Structure (ROPS), must include seat belts that meet the Society of Automotive Engineers safety requirements; Society of Automotive Engineers Standard J386 JUN93, Operator Restraint System for Off-Road Work Machines. If whatever mobile machinery includes seat belts required by law, the driver and subsequent passengers should ensure they use the belts whenever the motor vehicle is in motion or engaged in operation as this could cause the machinery to become unbalanced and thus, not safe.

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

The seat belt requirements while working a lift truck depend on different factors. Whether or not the lift truck is outfitted together with a Rollover Protective Structure, the type of lift truck itself and the year the forklift was actually made 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 in the case of powered industrial trucks, is intended to aid the operator in reducing 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 may consist of a seat belt, even though a seat belt is not essentially a part of such device or system.