

## Seat Belt for Forklifts

Forklift Seat Belts - Explained in the Regulation guidelines are the utilization of seatbelts and operator restraints on lift trucks. It states that the accountability falls on the employers' to be able to make sure that each and every machine, piece of equipment and device is used properly used according to the directions of the manufacturer.

Regarding their fabrication, use, design, maintenance and inspection Rough Terrain forklifts have to satisfy the regulations 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 any mobile machinery includes seat belts required by law, the driver and subsequent passengers must make sure they utilize the belts each time the motor vehicle is in motion or engaged in operation in view of the fact that this could cause the equipment to become unbalanced and therefore, not safe.

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

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

In the case of powered industrial trucks, ANSI Standard ASME B56.1-1993 refers to a driver restraint device, enclosure or system. An operator restraint device, enclosure or system is designed to be able to help the operator in lessening 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 could consist of a seat belt, even if a seat belt is not necessarily a part of such machine or system.