

## Seat Belts for Forklift

Forklift Seat Belts - This guideline reason is to be able to explain the Regulation necessities for the utilization of operator restraints or seatbelts on forklifts. It is the employers' accountability to be able to ensure that every machinery, piece of equipment and device within the workplace is chosen and utilized properly and worked according to the manufacturer's directions.

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

Side boom tractors and mobile equipment together with a Rollover Protective Structure, or ROPS for short, have to have seat belts which satisfy the requirements of the Society of Automotive Engineers, or SAE, Standard J386 JUN93, Operator Restraint System for Off-Road Work Machines. If any mobile equipment has seat belts required by law, the driver and subsequent passengers have to make certain they use the belts whenever the motor vehicle is in motion or engaged in operation because this could cause the machine to become unbalanced and thus, not safe.

When a seat belt or different operator restraint is required on a lift truck.

While working a lift truck, the seat belt requirements would depend on several factors. Contributing factors to this determination may include whether or not the lift truck is equipped with a Rollover Protective Structure, the kind of lift truck itself and the year the lift truck was made. The manufacturer's instructions 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 designed to be able to assist 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 restraint device or system may include a seat belt, while a seat belt is not necessarily a part of such equipment or system.