

## Forklift Seat Belt

Forklift Seat Belts - Described in the Regulation guidelines are the use of operative restraints and seatbelts on forklifts. It says that the liability falls on the employers' to ensure that every machinery, piece of equipment and device is utilized rightly utilized in accordance to the directions of the manufacturer.

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

Mobile machines like side boom tractors together with a Rollover Protective Structure (ROPS), need to contain 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 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 because this can cause the machine to become unbalanced and hence, not safe.

If a seat belt or other operator restraint is needed on a forklift.

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

With regards to to a driver restraint device, enclosure or system, ANSI Standard ASME B56.1-1993 in the case of powered industrial trucks, is designed to be able to help the operator in reducing the danger 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 might consist of a seat belt, though a seat belt is not essentially a part of such equipment or system.