

## Forklift Seat Belts

Forklift Seat Belts - Described in the Regulation guidelines are the application of seatbelts and operator restraints on forklifts. It says that the responsibility falls on the employers' to be able to ensure that each and every machinery, piece of equipment and tool is utilized correctly according to the instructions of the maker.

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

Side boom tractors and mobile equipment together with a Rollover Protective Structure, or ROPS for short, should contain seat belts that 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 machine has seat belts required by law, the driver and subsequent passengers must make certain they make use of the belts whenever the motor vehicle is in motion or engaged in operation since this could cause the machinery to become unsteady and hence, not safe.

When a seat belt or other driver restraint is needed on a lift truck.

The seat belt requirements while working a forklift depend on different factors. Whether or not the forklift is equipped with a Rollover Protective Structure, the kind of forklift itself and the year the forklift was actually manufactured all add to this determination. The manufacturer's instructions and the requirements of the applicable standard are referenced in the Regulation.

Referring to a driver restraint device, enclosure or system, ANSI Standard ASME B56.1-1993 with regards to powered industrial trucks, is designed to be able to help the driver in lowering the risk 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 might consist of a seat belt, even if a seat belt is not necessarily a part of such device or system.