



Weekly Safety Meeting

Aerial Lift Safety



Instructor: _____ Date/Time: _____

OSHA Requirements

1926.453(b)(2)

Extensible and articulating boom platforms.

1926.453(b)(2)(i)

Lift controls shall be tested each day prior to use to determine that such controls are in safe working condition.

Talking Points:

Each employee that will be operating a lift should perform a ground and basket control test to ensure all are working properly.

Levers should return to zero position when let go by operator

Horn and back up indicator should function

Emergency Shut Off Switches are working

Ground conditions are safe for lift use

Only authorized personnel are operating lifts

1926.453(b)(2)(iv)

Employees shall always stand firmly on the floor of the basket, and shall not sit or climb on the edge of the basket or use planks, ladders, or other devices for a work position.

Talking Points:

Feet need to be on the floor of the basket, never anywhere else.

1926.453(b)(2)(v)

A body belt shall be worn and a lanyard attached to the boom or basket when working from an aerial lift.

Note to paragraph (b)(2)(v): As of January 1, 1998, subpart M of this part (1926.502(d)) provides that body belts are not acceptable as part of a personal fall arrest system. The use of a body belt in a tethering system or in a restraint system is acceptable and is regulated under 1926.502(e).

Talking Points:

Harness is to be worn at all times while operating a boom lift (Scissor Optional) to prevent catapulting operator out of basket. 3-4' lanyard should be worn to ensure that employee would remain in the protection of the basket if an emergency situation occurred.

1926.453(b)(2)(vi)

Boom and basket load limits specified by the manufacturer shall not be exceeded.

Talking Points:

Boom Lift is to be used as a personnel carrier only and anything placed in the basket should be within the working load limits of the basket. Boom should never be used as a crane.

Employee Names or Signatures of personnel who attended the meeting

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