

TOOLBOXTALK

Week 7

SAFE OPERATING PRACTICE - FORK TRUCK



- Carefully read Instruction Manual prior to initial operation
- Operator must have received Weigand Fork Truck training prior to operating and must have a valid operator's license
- Complete a daily "pre-operation" inspection of equipment and document (each day / shift)
 - **Do not** remove or obscure any warning/operations labels
 - **Do not** lift loads above the rated capacity of the truck
 - Do not lift people or transfer objects over the top of other people
- Follow guidelines for transporting, storing, stacking, or tiring containers
- Always follow designated traffic rules; remember pedestrians have the right of way
 - Remain alert at all times!
 - Maintain control of vehicle and load
- Make eye contact
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- Adjust vehicle speed to meet conditions
- Always wear your seat belt
- Use the horn when approaching intersections
- Operator **must** remain with the controls while load is elevated and should avoid sudden starts and stops
- NO eating/drinking while operating fork truck
- Follow appropriate lockout procedures prior to performing maintenance on this equipment
- Keep work area clear of all debris and other trip hazards, clean surrounding area prior to and after each use