

## Saskatchewan Forklift Training Course

Saskatchewan Forklift Training Course - Federal and industry regulators have established the criteria for forklift safety training based on their existing standards and regulations. People wishing to use a forklift must finish a forklift training course prior to making use of one of these equipment. The accredited Forklift Operator Training Program is designed to offer those training with the practical skills and knowledge to become an operator of a forklift.

Mobile Equipment and Vehicle safety regulations that apply to forklift operation involve pre-shift checks, and rules for loading and lifting.

Prior to a shift beginning, an inspection checklist must be carried out and given to the Instructor or Supervisor. If whatever maintenance issue is discovered, the machine must not be operated until the issue is dealt with. To indicate the equipment is out of order, the keys need to be removed from the ignition and a warning tag placed in a visible place.

Safety rules for loading will include checking the load rating capacity on the forklift to know how much the equipment could handle. When starting the equipment, the forks must be in the downward position. Don't forget that there is a loss of around one hundred pounds carrying capacity for every one inch further away from the carriage which the load is carried.

Lifting should begin with the driver moving to a stopped position roughly three inches away from the load. The mast should then be leveled until it has reached a right angle with the load. Raise the forks to an inch underneath the slot on the pallet and drive forward. After that lift forks four inches. Tilt back the load to be able to secure it for moving. Drive the lift backwards if the load obscures frontal vision. Check behind and honk to alert other employees. Never allow forks to drag on the ground.

Forklift loads must be loaded in such a way that they are secure and do not create a hazard to other objects or people. Restraining loads is necessary for materials which could shift during transport and destabilize the forklift.

To prevent the shifting of drums, drums can be strapped together to decrease movement. Forklift operators should drive slowly when lifting liquids, to reduce instability in the forklift.