

## Saskatchewan Telehandler Certification

Saskatchewan Telehandler Certification - Telehandler certification courses are both for operators who have some experience driving a standard forklift and for people with no experience. The real-world training offered by these programs produces graduates who know the right and safe utilization of these types of equipment.

Telehandler certification courses are offered in two forms: at a training facility; at the trainee's job site. With the former option, the manufacturer may work along with a licensing agency to bring people to a training facility. This alternative provides those training with the opportunity to learn to make use of the equipment in a controlled setting. When completed, people who participated are given a license or certification to use this kind of machinery.

When the training is done on the worksite, a skilled instructor is sent to the work site. This is the best way to ensure that your workers receive particular training on the machinery that they would be working with, helping to train the trainee in their own work environment. Trainees learn about potentially dangerous cases which can take place on the actual work place. The instruction focuses on whatever situation that are specific to the work location, enabling operators to be ready to safely deal with these elements.

The term "telehandler" is an abbreviated version of "telescopic handler," meaning an equipment which has an extending or telescoping arm supporting a fork. A telehandler has various characteristics and controls similar to a forklift. A telehandler has the capability of lifting and transporting loads up and away from the vehicle. Wrong operation of telehandlers can cause serious accidents. If load restrictions are exceeded, the machinery could tip because of excess weight on the lift. It is an operator's duty to know load restrictions and to make use of these machines safely.

"Conversion" classes are designed for operators who have been certified to make use of a forklift. These conversion classes will teach the differences between the operation of a telehandler and a forklift, all the while trying to prevent repetitive information which the forklift operator is already familiar with. For trainees who have no past experience utilizing telehandler machines, training consists of the basic use and operation of the machine. Some organizations also provide refresher courses.