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**Forklift Safety**

Toolbox Talk # 5049

Forklifts save time and money, allowing you to move heavy loads quickly and efficiently. They also help reduce the risk of accidents on a worksite as they reduce the amount of manual handling required.

However, when not operated correctly, forklifts can become very dangerous and lead to a range of injuries from mild bumps and scrapes to more serious injuries like broken bones.

* Inspect the forklift every day before use.
* DO NOT operate a forklift unless you have been trained and certified.
* Use seat belts if they are available.
* If damage or problems occur with the forklift during your shift, tell your supervisor.
* Exit from a rear-entry, stand-up forklift by stepping backward, in case of a lateral tip-over.
* Use extreme caution on grades and ramps.
* On grades, tilt the load back and raise it only as far as needed to clear the road surface.
* Do not raise or lower the forks while the forklift is moving.
* Do not drive up to anyone standing in front of a bench or other fixed object.
* Travel backward with the load if you cannot see in front of you.
* Look toward the travel path and keep a clear view of it.
* Sound the horn as you approach and while turning corners where you cannot see.
* Band or secure loads on forklifts or they could fall.

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