

Mobile elevated work platform safety: Quick tips



Safety is achieved when it's consistently practiced and modeled by supervisors. Safety practices should be regularly reinforced with employees to help prevent injuries and property damage.

- ✔ Always follow manufacturer instructions
- ✔ Inspect lift prior to use
- ✔ Understand emergency procedures
- ✔ Understand capacity of lift
- ✔ Verify labels are plainly marked and legible
- ✔ Use approved fall restraint or arrest system
- ✔ Maintain minimum clearance from powerlines
- ✔ Utilize outriggers if equipped
- ✔ Keep work within easy reach
- ✔ Verify ground is adequate for weight
- ✘ Never use if not authorized
- ✘ Never operate alone
- ✘ Never use as a crane
- ✘ Never exceed platform capacity
- ✘ Never exceed reach limits
- ✘ Never operate in windy or severe weather
- ✘ Never loan equipment to other contractors
- ✘ Never disconnect audible alarm
- ✘ Never modify equipment without proper approval