

TOOLBOX TALKS

The Upside of Safety



Working Around Heavy Equipment

Many workers work around heavy equipment as part of their job. This includes equipment such as cranes, telehandlers, forklifts, etc. Working around these pieces of equipment can be a danger to those working around it. Follow these steps for a safer jobsite:

Authorized Operators

Only trained and authorized workers are permitted to operate heavy equipment on the job site.

Hi-Vis Clothing

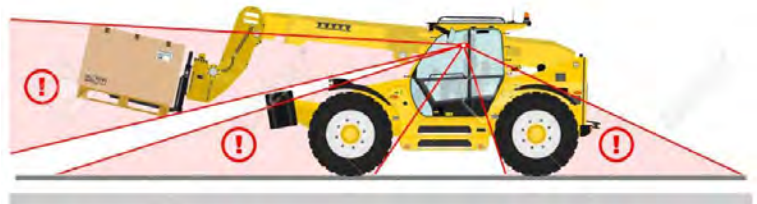
All workers on site should be wearing hi-vis clothing to help operators identify workers around them.

Marking Work Area

In order to stop unwanted persons from entering your work area, mark it off with red or yellow tape. Any time you are lifting objects overhead with a machine or your machine can swing (also known as swing radius), you should mark of the area.

Utilize Backup Alarms and Lights

Equipment should be equipped with audible and visual aids to warn pedestrians and other operators when their vehicle is in the area. If your backup alarms or lights are not working properly, do not use the equipment. New equipment may also have backup cameras that should be utilized when backing.



Heavy equipment has several blind spots that make it difficult for the operator to see. Avoid standing in these areas on job sites.

Spotters

Blind spots can be a significant operator issue. A spotter, trained in hand signals, can help provide safety guidance and communication between the operator, workers and nearby pedestrians to compensate for blind spots. Spotters should wear high-visibility clothing and stand clear of equipment so they are visible to the operator at all times



Back Up - Turn Right



Back Up - Turn Left



Back Up

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✓ SAFETYCHECK

All operators have received training?

All workers are wearing hi-vis?

Back up alarms and lights on equipment are in working order?

Spotters are utilized when moving equipment?

Company:

Location:

Presenter:

Date:

ATTENDANCESHEET

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