



# SAFETY TAILGATE MEETING

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## SCISSOR LIFT SAFETY

### INTRODUCTION

Scissor lifts come in different sizes and assist us with performing elevated work. However, using them improperly can cause property damage, injury, or even death. **NO ONE IS TO OPERATE A SCISSOR LIFT WITHOUT TRAINING AND AUTHORIZATION FROM THE COMPANY.**

In this meeting, we will discuss:

#### (1) HAZARDS OF OPERATION

#### (2) WHAT TO DO BEFORE OPERATING

#### (3) WHAT TO DO WHILE OPERATING

### HAZARDS OF OPERATION

Hazards of operation include:

- Falls and being ejected from the lift.
- Tip over.
- Objects falling and striking property or other people.
- Hitting other people or property with the lift.
- Electrical shock / electrocution.
- Caught-in-between hazards. What other hazards can you think of?

#### Group discussion:

Have you seen an incident where one of these hazards has resulted in property damage or injury?

- What happened?
- Why did it happen?
- What could have prevented it?

# WHAT TO DO BEFORE OPERATING

Before operating a scissor lift, do the following:

**INSPECTION OF LIFT:** It is the responsibility of the operator to inspect the lift according to the manufacturer's instructions each day prior to use. If there are any problems, document and report them. Do not use the lift until it is safe to do so. **Never disable a safety device!**

**INSPECTION OF AREA:** Thoroughly inspect the area for hazards such as those we just mentioned. If needed, delineate your area of work and/or get a spotter. Stay at least 10' from high voltage lines (more depending on voltage). Set up on level ground.

**FALL PROTECTION:** OSHA does not require personal fall protection if the guardrails on the lift are in place. However, always read the manufacturer's instructions and comply with their requirements.

**TEST THE CONTROLS:** KNOW YOUR LIFT! Familiarize yourself with the specific lifts function. Example: After releasing the controls, the lift may continue to move. This residual energy could lead to being caught in between or hitting other objects.

# WHAT TO DO WHILE OPERATING

- Continue to evaluate the area around you for changing conditions and each time before moving the lift. **NO ONE SHOULD BE UNDER THE LIFT!**
- Do not exceed the stated load capacity, factoring in worker(s), tools and material.
- Keep all material secure to prevent it from falling.
- Keep both feet on the platform of the lift. Never climb the rails, even with a harness on!
- Do not position yourself between objects and the rails of the lift where you can be caught-in-between.

Are there any other safe practices you can think of?

Are there any questions?

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## Attendees Signatures



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