

Forklift Safety for Operators and Pedestrians


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Top 10 Most Cited Standards

FY 2023


 1 Fall Protection: General Requirements 1926.501 7,188 violations	 2 Hazard Communication 1910.1205 3,227 violations	 3 Ladders 1926.1053 2,950 violations	 4 Scaffolding 1926.451 2,835 violations	 5 Powered Industrial Trucks 1910.178 2,500 violations
 6 Control of Hazardous Energy (Lockout/Tagout) 1910.147 2,539 violations	 7 Respiratory Protection 1910.134 2,493 violations	 8 Fall Protection: Training Requirements 1926.503 2,109 violations	 9 Personal Protective and Lifesaving Equipment: Eye and Face Protection 1926.102 2,064 violations	 10 Machine Guarding 1910.212 1,635 violations



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Training requirements



- Formal training
- Practical skill evaluation
- Recertification is required EVERY 3 YEARS

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Check the surrounding area

- People
- Obstructions
- Other equipment




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Load stability


- Check load center
- Even distribution
- Heavy end towards carriage
- Stacked and wrapped



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Backing SafeX




Operators:

- Turn and look
- Use your mirrors
- Signal –two beeps!
- Assured clear distance
- Use a spotter when needed

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Obstructed view SafeX




- Restack
- Drive backwards
- Spotter track
- Lower the load

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How many people do you see? SafeX




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Parking




- Unattended-25 feet or more or out of sight
- Forks on the ground
- Parking brake set
- Clear path forward or back
- Designated area

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Distracted driving

- Cell phones
- Earbuds/music players
- Mental distractions
- Illness/Exhaustion




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Pedestrians

- Be visible
- Stop, look, listen
- 10 foot clearance
- Keep to designated walkways
- Keep out of pinch points and away from suspended loads



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When working as a team

- Always establish communication before approaching
- Spotter positioning
- Do not grab or walk under loads
- No horseplay



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