

ELEVATED WORK SURFACES

SAFETY TALK

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Each brand of lift has its own set of controls, actions, and reactions. That's a good reason to be trained to operate your particular type of lift. In fact, safety standards require it.

QUESTIONS TO ASK

1. Does the suggested location provide firm, level footing?
2. Is the suggested location clear overhead?
3. Is the suggested location a safe distance from power lines, power sources, overhead sprinklers, and cables?
4. Have nearby cables been de-energized?

It's a good policy to have a person on the ground move the equipment to where it's needed. Never travel in an extended or raised platform.

CHECKLIST

- Have you walked around the equipment to evaluate it?
- Have you checked the oil and fuel supply, battery source, or electric energy source?
- Have you checked the ground panel? Do all ground controls work?
- Have you checked the basket or platform control? Do all controls work?
- Have you put on fall protection? Full body harnesses are recommended.
- What is your attachment point for fall protection?
- Is the weight of all tools, equipment, and personnel in the lift under the capacity rating?

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. What fall protection and other safety features does our lift provide? How do you operate these?
2. Does our company have a written certification program to train employees to use lifts? If not, what should one include?
3. Are there any specific points or problems you wish to discuss?

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