

SAFETY TALK: Lift Trucks in the Warehouse



BENEFITS

Lift trucks, such as forklifts, are a staple in some workplaces, most notably warehouses. As useful as this equipment can be, it can also endanger both the workers operating it and others in the workplace if certain safety precautions aren't taken.

HOW TO USE THE TOOL

Give this safety talk to workers to educate them on the hazards posed by lift trucks and the precautions they should take to protect themselves and others. Whoever gives the talk, whether a supervisor, safety coordinator, foreman, training provider, etc., should also:

- Ask the crew to show that they understand the load chart.
- Ask forklift operators if they can remember the speed limits and warning signs at your facility.
- Ask the operators to show that they understand all the warnings and precautions for the type of forklifts they'll be allowed to use.

OTHER RESOURCES:

[IHSA](#)

[Spot the Safety Violation: Forklift Safety](#)

[Forklift Safety Quiz](#)

[Spot the Safety Violation; Forklifts Aren't Passenger Vehicles](#)

[A Safety Smart S.A.F.E. System on Forklift Safety](#)

[SafetySmart](#), a source for hundreds of safety talks