

MAN BASKET USE SAFE WORK PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES

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Please review this step-by-step procedure carefully to acquaint yourself with safe operation procedures associated with this job task. When in doubt, ask your supervisor.

Note #1: Under no circumstances will a worker be permitted to work in a man basket unless that worker is wearing proper fall arrest equipment and is secured to the appropriate anchor points on the basket. The only exception to this rule will be if the manufacturer's instructions specifically state that fall protection or fall arrest equipment is not required while working in the man basket.

Note #2: The equipment operator must be properly trained and certified to operate the machine. The worker in the man basket must have the proper training and certification in the use of fall protection equipment. Unless this training has been completed, do not perform the following procedure.

Note #3: The operator and man basket worker should go over the task and potential hazards for that task. Both workers should understand the procedures and risks involved prior to doing the task. The machine operator is not to leave the machine unattended with the man in basket in raised position.

Note #4: If verbal communication between worker in man basket and machine operator is compromised by loud noise in the area, either wait for the noise to subside or ask for it to be stopped while you perform the stock picking procedure.

Note #5: Driver of the vehicle should be sure of the proper weight capacity with manbasket & person included so as to avoid a tip over when material is added. This info should be shared with the person in the manbasket.

1. Machine operator to move forks on machine to line up with fork pockets on the man basket.
2. Lower forks on machine and tilt mast so forks tips line up exactly with the man basket pockets. Pull slowly forward sliding the forks into the man basket pockets.
3. Chain the basket to the mast of the machine using provided chain attached to man basket. Wrap the chain around the backside of the mast and hook onto hook bracket provided on man basket.
4. Attach a retractable lanyard to the proper tie off point in the man basket.
5. Worker riding in man basket is to put on a fall protection harness and adjust properly. Then climb into man basket.
6. Machine operator to attach a retractable lanyard to the D- ring on the worker's harness.
7. Hook two safety chains on front of man basket to close entrance.
8. Machine operator to get back into machine and do up seatbelt.



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9. No forward or backward movement of the forklift is allowed while a worker is in the raised basket. Only up & down motion is permitted. Worker in man basket will verbally guide the machine operator into position to pull stock or to the location of work to be done.

10. Worker in man basket to reach forward and pull the stock onto the fork extensions of the man basket. Worker is not to step out of the man basket and onto the forks during this procedure.

11. Once stock is securely on the forks of the man basket the worker can give the go-ahead for the machine operator to lower the man basket with the stock to the ground.

Related Documentation:

Forklift SWP & HAA

Fall Protection SWP & HAA & Code of practice.