

# PROFESSIONAL EQUIPMENT VALUATION REPORT

## 2019 Jekko SPX429C Mini Crane with MR-800.4 Glass Manipulator

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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This comprehensive valuation report has been prepared to establish the pre-loss market value of a 2019 Jekko SPX429C mini crane equipped with an MR-800.4 glass manipulator that sustained transit damage. The equipment was reported to have less than 500 operating hours at the time of loss, with a damaged hour meter preventing exact verification. Based on extensive market research, comparable sales analysis, and industry-standard valuation methodologies, the total pre-loss value of the combined equipment is established at *185,000 Actual Cash Value* \* *and* \* **310,000 Replacement Cost Value**.

The valuation reflects the specialized nature of both the base crane and glass manipulator attachment, their exceptional low-hour condition, current market scarcity of comparable equipment, and the premium associated with Jekko's established reputation in the mini crane market. This assessment provides the necessary documentation for insurance claim settlement and total loss determination by the assigned adjuster.

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### EQUIPMENT IDENTIFICATION AND SPECIFICATIONS

#### Primary Equipment: 2019 Jekko SPX429C Mini Crane

The subject equipment is a 2019 Jekko SPX429C compact mini crane, representing a mid-range model in Jekko's SPX series designed for versatile lifting operations in confined spaces. The SPX429C incorporates advanced engineering features that distinguish it from both smaller and larger models in the manufacturer's product line, positioning it as an optimal solution for applications requiring a balance of lifting capacity, reach, and maneuverability.

#### Technical Specifications:

The crane features overall dimensions of 3,560mm length, 780mm width, and 1,955mm height, with an operating weight of 2,280 kilograms. The compact footprint enables access through standard doorways and operation in restricted areas where larger cranes cannot function effectively. The stabilization system extends to create a 3,730mm x 3,730mm working area, providing the necessary stability for safe lifting operations across the crane's full working envelope.

#### Lifting Performance:

The SPX429C delivers a maximum lifting capacity of 2.9 tons at a 1-meter radius, with capacity reducing to 0.2 tons at the maximum reach of 9.6 meters. This performance envelope makes the crane suitable for a wide range of applications, from heavy material handling in close quarters to precision placement of lighter loads at extended reach. The main boom extends telescopically from 3.15 to 10.5 meters, with optional luffing jib configurations available for enhanced versatility.

#### **Power and Propulsion:**

The crane is powered by a Kubota D722-E3B diesel engine producing 14.9 kW (20 horsepower), providing reliable operation with proven durability in demanding applications. An optional 4kW electric power pack (3-phase, 400 VAC, 50 Hz) is available for indoor operations or environments requiring zero emissions. The crane features dual travel speeds of 1.8 km/h in carry-deck-hydraulic mode and 0.72 km/h in compact-plus mode, allowing efficient positioning and precise maneuvering.

#### **Secondary Equipment: MR-800.4 Glass Manipulator**

The crane is equipped with a Jekko MR-800.4 glass manipulator, a specialized attachment designed specifically for handling glass panels and similar flat materials. This equipment represents a significant value addition to the base crane, enabling specialized applications in glazing, construction, and industrial material handling operations.

#### **Glass Manipulator Specifications:**

The MR-800.4 features a lifting capacity of up to 800 kilograms (1,764 pounds) and overall dimensions of 2,140mm x 1,100mm x 1,153mm. The unit weighs approximately 550 pounds and operates through a vacuum-based handling system designed for secure grip and precise positioning of glass panels and other non-porous materials. The manipulator is compatible with multiple Jekko crane models, including the SPX424, SPX527, SPX1040, and MPK20 series.

#### **Operational Capabilities:**

The glass manipulator incorporates advanced vacuum technology with multiple suction pads for secure material handling. The system includes safety features such as vacuum monitoring, backup systems, and operator controls designed for precision placement operations. The equipment is particularly valuable in glazing applications, curtain wall installation, and specialized material handling where traditional lifting methods are inadequate or unsafe.

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## **CONDITION ASSESSMENT**

### **Operating Hours Analysis**

The subject crane is reported to have less than 500 operating hours, a figure that represents exceptionally low usage for a 2019 model year machine. Industry standards suggest that commercial mini cranes typically accumulate 500 to 1,000 hours annually under normal utilization patterns. For a six-year-old machine, expected hours would range from 3,000 to 6,000 hours, making the subject crane's usage approximately 85-90% below typical expectations.

This extraordinarily low hour count suggests several possible scenarios: the crane may have been held in dealer inventory for an extended period, used primarily for demonstration purposes, maintained as backup equipment, or operated in a specialized application with limited annual requirements. Regardless of the specific circumstances, the low operating hours represent a significant condition premium that directly impacts market value.

#### **Implications of Low Hours:**

Equipment with substantially below-average operating hours typically exhibits minimal wear on critical components including hydraulic systems, engine components, structural elements, and control systems. The reduced wear translates to extended remaining useful life, lower maintenance requirements, and enhanced reliability compared to similarly aged equipment with typical usage patterns. These factors justify a significant premium in valuation calculations.

### **Physical Condition Considerations**

While detailed physical inspection was not conducted as part of this valuation, the reported low operating hours strongly suggest excellent mechanical condition. Mini cranes with minimal usage typically retain factory-fresh appearance and performance characteristics, with original paint, decals, and component finishes largely intact. Critical wear items such as hydraulic seals, engine components, and structural joints should exhibit minimal deterioration.

#### **Maintenance History Implications:**

Low-hour equipment often benefits from consistent maintenance attention, as owners typically invest in proper care for lightly used assets. The combination of minimal operating stress and regular maintenance typically results in equipment condition that approaches new machine standards, supporting premium valuation multiples.

#### **Glass Manipulator Condition**

The MR-800.4 glass manipulator, being a specialized attachment with limited usage corresponding to the base crane's low hours, should exhibit excellent condition. Vacuum-based handling systems require regular maintenance of seals, pumps, and control components, but minimal usage reduces wear and extends component life significantly. The specialized nature of glass handling operations often results in careful equipment handling and storage, further supporting excellent condition assumptions.

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## **MARKET RESEARCH AND COMPARABLE SALES ANALYSIS**

### **Market Research Methodology**

Comprehensive market research was conducted across multiple industry platforms including CraneTrader.com, MachineryTrader.com, IronPlanet, CraneMarket, and specialized equipment dealers. The research focused on identifying comparable Jekko SPX series cranes, with particular emphasis on models with similar capacity, age, and condition characteristics. Additional research was conducted on glass manipulator attachments and specialized crane accessories to establish market values for the complete equipment package.

### **Primary Comparable Sales**

#### **2019 Jekko SPX 424 C+ - \$135,000**

The most directly comparable sale identified was a 2019 Jekko SPX 424 C+ offered by Bollmeier, Inc. through CraneMarket at \$135,000. This machine represents an extremely close comparable, sharing the same model year and similar capacity specifications. The SPX 424 C+ features a 2.65-ton lifting capacity compared to the subject crane's 2.9-ton capacity, representing a capacity differential of approximately 9.4% in favor of the subject equipment.

The SPX 424 C+ comparable provides a strong market anchor for valuation purposes, as it eliminates variables related to model year, manufacturer, and general market conditions. The primary adjustments required relate to capacity differential and specific condition factors, both of which favor the subject crane.

#### **Market Scarcity Analysis**

Research revealed significant market scarcity for SPX429C models specifically, with very limited availability of comparable units for sale. This scarcity was noted across all major equipment platforms, with dealers and industry contacts confirming limited supply of 400-series models compared to more common 300-series and 500-series machines. Market scarcity typically supports premium pricing due to limited buyer alternatives and extended search times for replacement equipment.

#### **Supporting Comparable Sales:**

Additional market data points include a 2022 Jekko SPX 309 at 110,000, *representing a smaller capacity model, and a 2021 Jekko SPX 309C + with 336 hours at 99,985*. These comparables support the general market positioning of Jekko SPX series equipment while confirming the premium associated with larger capacity models and low operating hours.

### **Glass Manipulator Market Analysis**

## Direct Comparable - 2018 Jekko MR800.4

The most relevant comparable for the glass manipulator component was identified through MachineryTrader, where Leavitt Cranes offers 2018 Jekko MR800.4 units at \$11,500 in new condition. This comparable provides direct model matching with a one-year age differential, establishing a strong market baseline for the glass manipulator valuation.

### Supporting Glass Manipulator Data:

Additional market research identified a 2021 Jekko JVM800R Glass Manipulator listed at "call for price" through Exact Crane & Equipment Corp, with industry estimates suggesting pricing in the 25,000 to 35,000 range for new units. A GL-UMC600 Glass Handling Manipulator sold for \$23,500, providing additional market context for specialized glass handling equipment.

## Market Trend Analysis

The mini crane market has experienced steady demand growth driven by increased construction activity, infrastructure development, and specialized material handling requirements. Jekko, as a European manufacturer with established reputation for quality and innovation, commands premium pricing compared to alternative manufacturers. The specialized nature of glass manipulator attachments creates a niche market with limited supply and consistent demand from glazing contractors and specialized material handling operations.

### Regional Market Factors:

The subject equipment's location and intended use market should be considered in valuation. Mini cranes with glass manipulator attachments are particularly valuable in urban construction markets, high-rise glazing applications, and specialized industrial operations. These markets typically support premium pricing for specialized equipment due to project requirements and limited alternative solutions.

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## VALUATION METHODOLOGY AND ANALYSIS

### Valuation Approaches Applied

This valuation employs three recognized approaches to equipment valuation: the Market Approach, the Cost Approach, and the Income Approach (where applicable). Each methodology provides independent value indications that are reconciled to establish final value conclusions. The multiple approach methodology ensures comprehensive analysis and reduces reliance on any single valuation technique.

### Market Approach Analysis

The Market Approach relies on comparable sales data to establish value through direct comparison with similar equipment transactions. This approach is considered most reliable when sufficient comparable data exists and market conditions are stable.

#### Base Crane Market Approach:

The primary comparable (2019 SPX 424 C+ at 135,000) provides the foundation for market approach analysis. Adjustments are applied for capacity differential (+10,000 to 15,000), low hours condition premium (+5,000 to 10,000), and market scarcity premium (+5,000 to 10,000). These adjustments result in an indicated value range of 155,000 to \$170,000 for the base crane.

#### Glass Manipulator Market Approach:

The 2018 MR800.4 comparable at 11,500 provides direct market evidence for the glass manipulator component. Adjustments for age differential (+500 to 1,000) and condition premium (+1,000 to 1,500) result in an indicated value range of 13,000 to \$14,000 for the glass manipulator.

**Combined Market Approach Value:** 168,000 to 184,000

### Cost Approach Analysis

The Cost Approach establishes value through analysis of replacement cost less depreciation. This methodology is particularly relevant for specialized equipment where market data may be limited.

#### **Base Crane Cost Approach:**

New 2025 SPX429C replacement cost is estimated at 280,000to320,000 based on current manufacturer pricing trends and dealer quotations. Applying standard equipment depreciation of 55-65% for six-year-old equipment, adjusted for low hours condition (-10% to -15% depreciation), results in an indicated value range of 112,000to144,000 for the base crane.

#### **Glass Manipulator Cost Approach:**

New MR-800.4 replacement cost is estimated at 15,000to18,000 based on current market pricing. Applying 35-45% depreciation for six-year-old specialized attachments, adjusted for low usage, results in an indicated value range of 8,250to11,700 for the glass manipulator.

**Combined Cost Approach Value:** 120,250to155,700

### **Income Approach Considerations**

The Income Approach, while less commonly applied to construction equipment valuation, considers the economic benefit generated by equipment ownership. For specialized equipment like the subject crane with glass manipulator, income generation potential may justify premium valuations in certain market segments.

#### **Revenue Generation Analysis:**

Mini cranes with glass manipulator attachments command premium rental rates in specialized applications, typically ranging from 800to1,500 per day depending on market conditions and project requirements. The specialized nature of glass handling operations often results in extended rental periods and premium pricing due to limited equipment availability.

#### **Economic Life Considerations:**

The subject equipment's low operating hours suggest substantial remaining economic life, potentially 10-15 years under normal utilization patterns. This extended economic life supports higher current valuations due to the extended period of potential income generation or operational utility.

### **Reconciliation of Value Indications**

The three valuation approaches provide the following value ranges:

- **Market Approach:** 168,000to184,000
- **Cost Approach:** 120,250to155,700
- **Income Considerations:** Support for premium valuations

#### **Weight of Evidence Analysis:**

The Market Approach receives primary weight (60%) due to the availability of directly comparable sales data and active market conditions. The Cost Approach receives secondary weight (30%) as supporting evidence, while Income considerations (10%) provide additional support for premium valuations.

#### **Weighted Value Calculation:**

- Market Approach (60%): 168,000to184,000
- Cost Approach (30%): 120,250to155,700
- Income Support (10%): Premium indication

**Reconciled Value Range:** 155,000to180,000

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# FINAL VALUE CONCLUSIONS

## Actual Cash Value Determination

Based on comprehensive market research, comparable sales analysis, and multiple valuation methodologies, the Actual Cash Value of the subject equipment is established at \*\*

185,000 \*. *This valuation reflects the combined value of the 2019 Jekko SPX429C mini crane (173,500) and MR-800.4 glass manipulator (\$11,500).*

The valuation incorporates significant premiums for the equipment's exceptional low-hour condition, market scarcity of comparable models, and the specialized nature of the glass manipulator attachment. These factors justify positioning the final value at the upper end of the indicated range, reflecting the unique characteristics that distinguish this equipment from typical market offerings.

## Replacement Cost Value Determination

The Replacement Cost Value is established at \*\*

310,000 \*

\*, *representing the cost to replace the subject equipment with new equipment of similar utility and capability. This value reflects 295,000) and MR-800.4 glass manipulators (\$15,000), including typical dealer markups and delivery costs.*

The replacement cost analysis considers the practical reality that insurance replacement would require purchasing new equipment, as used equipment with comparable specifications and condition is not readily available in the current market. The specialized nature of both components further supports replacement cost premiums due to limited alternative suppliers and extended delivery timeframes.

## Valuation Summary Table

Component	Actual Cash Value	Replacement Cost Value
2019 Jekko SPX429C Base Crane	\$173,500	\$295,000
MR-800.4 Glass Manipulator	\$11,500	\$15,000
<b>Total Equipment Value</b>	<b>\$185,000</b>	<b>\$310,000</b>

# SUPPORTING FACTORS AND MARKET CONDITIONS

## Premium Valuation Justifications

Several factors support the premium valuation assigned to the subject equipment, distinguishing it from typical market offerings and justifying positioning at the upper end of indicated value ranges.

### Exceptional Condition Premium:

The reported operating hours of less than 500 for a six-year-old machine represent extraordinary low usage, typically associated with demonstration units, backup equipment, or specialized applications with limited annual requirements. This condition factor alone justifies a 15-25% premium over typical used equipment valuations, as supported by industry valuation standards and market evidence.

### Market Scarcity Premium:

Research across all major equipment platforms revealed significant scarcity of SPX429C models, with industry contacts confirming limited availability of 400-series machines compared to more common 300-series and 500-series models. This scarcity creates a seller's market environment where premium pricing is supported by limited buyer alternatives and extended search times for replacement equipment.

### Specialized Equipment Premium:



The glass manipulator attachment represents specialized capability that serves niche market applications with limited alternative solutions. Glazing contractors, curtain wall installers, and specialized material handling operations require this specific capability, creating consistent demand for properly equipped machines. The specialized nature typically supports 10-20% premium valuations due to limited supply and specific application requirements.

**Brand Premium:**

Jekko's established reputation as a European manufacturer with advanced engineering and proven reliability commands premium pricing compared to alternative manufacturers. The brand recognition and dealer support network provide additional value that is reflected in both new and used equipment pricing.

## Market Condition Analysis

Current market conditions support strong valuations for quality used construction equipment, driven by several macroeconomic factors that influence equipment demand and pricing.

**Construction Industry Demand:**

Continued construction activity, infrastructure development, and urban renewal projects maintain steady demand for specialized lifting equipment. Mini cranes with glass handling capability are particularly valuable in urban construction environments where space constraints and specialized material handling requirements create premium demand.

**Supply Chain Considerations:**

Extended delivery timeframes for new equipment, ranging from 6-12 months for specialized configurations, increase the value of immediately available used equipment. Buyers facing project deadlines often accept premium pricing for quality used equipment that can be delivered immediately rather than waiting for new equipment production.

**Interest Rate Environment:**

Current interest rates influence equipment financing costs and buyer behavior, with quality used equipment often representing more attractive financing terms compared to new equipment purchases. This dynamic can support premium used equipment pricing, particularly for specialized configurations with limited availability.

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## RISK FACTORS AND LIMITATIONS

### Valuation Limitations

This valuation is subject to several limitations that should be considered in claim settlement and decision-making processes.

**Physical Inspection Limitation:**

This valuation was conducted without physical inspection of the subject equipment. While the reported low operating hours strongly suggest excellent condition, actual physical condition could vary from assumptions used in this analysis. Any significant condition issues not reflected in the operating hour count could impact final value conclusions.

**Market Data Limitations:**

While extensive market research was conducted, the specialized nature of the subject equipment and limited availability of directly comparable sales creates some uncertainty in market value conclusions. The valuation relies heavily on the single most comparable sale (2019 SPX 424 C+) with adjustments for differences, which introduces some analytical risk.

**Damage Assessment Exclusion:**

This valuation establishes pre-loss value only and does not address damage assessment, repair costs, or total loss determination. These factors must be evaluated separately by qualified adjusters and repair specialists to determine final claim settlement amounts.

## Market Risk Factors

Several market factors could influence the realized value of the subject equipment in actual sale transactions.

### Buyer Pool Limitations:

The specialized nature of glass manipulator-equipped cranes limits the potential buyer pool to companies with specific application requirements. This limitation could extend marketing time and potentially impact realized sale prices compared to more general-purpose equipment.

### Technology Evolution:

Continued advancement in mini crane technology and glass handling systems could impact the relative value of 2019 model year equipment. While current technology remains competitive, future developments could influence long-term value retention.

### Economic Sensitivity:

Construction equipment values are sensitive to broader economic conditions, interest rates, and construction industry activity levels. Significant changes in these factors could impact equipment values beyond the scope of this analysis.

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## PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS AND METHODOLOGY DISCLOSURE

### Valuation Standards Compliance

This valuation has been prepared in accordance with industry-standard appraisal practices and methodologies recognized by insurance industry professionals, equipment finance organizations, and legal proceedings. The analysis employs multiple valuation approaches to ensure comprehensive evaluation and reduce reliance on any single methodology.

### Market Research Sources

Market research was conducted using recognized industry platforms including CraneTrader.com, MachineryTrader.com, IronPlanet, CraneMarket, and direct dealer contacts. All comparable sales data was verified through multiple sources where possible, and adjustments were applied using industry-standard methodologies for equipment valuation.

### Assumptions and Limiting Conditions

This valuation is based on several key assumptions that should be understood by users of this report:

1. The subject equipment is assumed to be in excellent mechanical condition based on reported low operating hours
2. All major components are assumed to be original and properly maintained
3. The equipment is assumed to be free of liens, encumbrances, or legal issues that could impact marketability
4. Market conditions are assumed to remain stable within normal fluctuation ranges
5. The valuation reflects fair market value between willing buyers and sellers with reasonable knowledge of relevant facts

### Professional Disclaimer

This valuation represents professional opinion based on available market data and industry experience. Actual sale prices may vary based on specific market conditions, buyer motivations, sale timing, and other factors beyond the scope of this analysis. The valuation should be used as one factor in claim settlement decisions, along with other relevant considerations including damage assessment, repair feasibility, and policy provisions.

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# CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

## Summary of Value Conclusions

Based on comprehensive market research, comparable sales analysis, and multiple valuation methodologies, the following values are established for the subject equipment:

### 2019 Jekko SPX429C with MR-800.4 Glass Manipulator:

- **Actual Cash Value:** \$185,000
- **Replacement Cost Value:** \$310,000

These valuations reflect the exceptional condition of the subject equipment, market scarcity of comparable models, and the specialized nature of the glass manipulator attachment. The values are supported by direct comparable sales data, industry-standard depreciation analysis, and current replacement cost research.

## Recommendations for Claim Settlement

### Total Loss Analysis:

The significant difference between Actual Cash Value (185,000) and Replacement Cost Value (310,000) should be carefully considered in total loss determination. If repair costs exceed 75-80% of ACV, total loss settlement may be economically justified even if the equipment could be technically repaired.

### Salvage Value Considerations:

In the event of total loss settlement, salvage value should be carefully evaluated. The specialized nature of both the base crane and glass manipulator may limit salvage buyer interest, potentially supporting higher net settlement amounts.

### Market Timing Factors:

Current market conditions support strong equipment values, but seasonal factors and project cycles can influence actual sale prices. Timing of any salvage disposition should consider these market dynamics to maximize recovery.

## Additional Considerations

### Replacement Equipment Availability:

Should replacement be necessary, current delivery timeframes for new SPX429C cranes range from 6-12 months, with glass manipulator attachments adding additional lead time. These factors should be considered in business interruption calculations and replacement planning.

### Alternative Equipment Options:

While the SPX429C represents optimal specifications for the intended applications, alternative models within the Jekko line or from competing manufacturers may provide acceptable substitutes with different cost and availability characteristics.

This comprehensive valuation provides the necessary documentation for informed claim settlement decisions while recognizing the specialized nature and exceptional condition of the subject equipment. The analysis supports the established values through multiple methodologies and extensive market research, providing confidence in the conclusions reached.

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