## **Oakville Forklift Training Program**

Oakville Forklift Training Program - Forklifts are sometimes referred to as lift trucks, jitneys or hi los. These powered industrial trucks are used widely today. Department stores used forklifts to be able to unload goods from trailers. Warehouses need them for tiering product. And grocery stores utilize small models to drop stock in the aisles. Whether loading material at a construction site or transporting lumber at a sawmill, operators of forklifts must be trained well and certified. The main concern must be on worker and pedestrian safety. This forklift training course teaches the health and safety rules governing forklifts to be able to guarantee their efficient and safe utilization.

Forklift Training Program Safety Tips:

Right training guarantees that operators of forklifts are able to maintain control of the lift truck throughout lifting, tilting and traveling. Only trained operators must operate a forklift.

When the forklift is in use; head, arms, hands, feet and legs must be kept inside the forklift. Forklift forks must be kept low to the ground while being slightly tilted back. Observe posted traffic signs. Sound the horn and lessen speed if taking a corner. If the vision of the driver is blocked by the load, drive backwards slowly. Pre-inspect the ground for potential hazards, like for example wet or oily spots, objects, holes, rough patches, people and vehicles. Avoid sudden stops.

If pedestrians pass across the vehicle or moves into a blind spot, the forklift must be stopped, the load lowered, waiting until the path is clear. If a load is being transported on an incline, the forks should be pointed uphill with a load and downhill without a load. The lift truck should only be turned around if on level ground.

Safety guidelines while steering - Never turn the steering wheel sharply when traveling fast. Turn utilizing the back wheels and support the load by the front wheels. An overloaded truck will be difficult to steer. Follow load limitations. Never add a counterweight in order to improve steering.

Safety tips while loading - The forklift's recommended load capacities must be followed; the information could be found on the data plate. Always ensure that the load is placed according to the suggested load centre. The forklift will remain steady so long as the load is kept near the front wheels.

The forklift mast must be in an upright position prior to inserting the fork into a pallet. Before inserting the fork, level it.