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Fork Mounted Hook - Adjustable "FMHA" Series

Specification:

Designed for mounting directly onto the forks of a forklift truck to enable loads to be lifted and transported using the swivel hook provided.

Fitting:

To fit this attachment, simply slide it onto the forks of the lift truck and fasten it in the required position along the fork, using the screw clamps provided.

Ensure, before it is clamped, that the capacity of the truck/attachment combination is sufficient to lift the combined weight of the load and attachment at the chosen position.

Operation:

To lift the load, drive the truck carefully forwards until the hook is directly over the lifting position. The load can then be attached directly to the hook or, where this is not practical, suitable slings or chains may be used.

In travelling mode, the bottom of the load shall not be higher than 300 mm from ground level and the mast shall be either substantially vertical or tilted backwards.

The load rating of a truck fitted with a fork-mounted hook shall not exceed the truck's rated capacity with fork arms.

The truck must be operated only on substantially firm, smooth, level and prepared surfaces.

When a fork lift truck is fitted with an attachment having a hook and shackle, it is subject to various regulations dependent on its operational site, and is considered as a mobile crane with respect to the requirements of the clause following. Although movement of the hook can be achieved by tilting the mast, this is not considered to be a situation where a safe load indicator is required.

When a hook attachment is attached to a fork lift truck is important to note that the truck is deemed to be a crane.

Thorough examination of the attachment, hook, shackle and eyebolt should be carried out and recorded every six months. ('Refer to the Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations 1998' & 'The Provision of Work Equipment Regulations 1998' for further information)

When fitted with a hook attachment, the truck's lifting system when vertical shall not be elevated to raise the hook position more than 4500 mm above ground level.

Ensure that a visual examination of the attachment is carried out before each period of use. Particular attention should be paid to the shackle pin holes, shackles and hook.

Ensure that the safe working loads indicated on the attachment capacity chart are not exceeded.

Note:

The standard hook provided swivels only to facilitate correct hook positioning prior to lifting. If regular hook rotation under load conditions is required a different hook must be fitted. The manufacturer should be consulted before repairs are undertaken.

Consult the truck manufacturer if in doubt.

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