

Need to Know- Powered Industrial Trucks



POWERED INDUSTRIAL TRUCKS

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Remember....

- The employer shall ensure that each powered industrial truck operator is trained and competent to operate a powered industrial truck safely
- Training consists of:
 - Formal instruction (e.g., lecture, discussion, interactive computer learning, written material),
 - Practical training (demonstrations and exercises performed by the trainee), and
 - Evaluation of the operator's performance in the workplace
- Training shall address:
 - General hazards of PIT operation, and
 - Site specific hazards
- Never overload the PIT. Refer to the capacity plate on the truck if unsure
- Never attempt to operate a PIT for which you have not been trained
- Always wear your seat belt
- Lower the forks and set the parking brake when the truck is left unattended
- Keep the forks as low to the ground as possible when operating the PIT
- Always drive straight up and straight down inclines
- Conduct pre-shift inspections of the PIT. If this inspection identifies a potential hazard, do not operate, and notify your supervisor.

