

SAFETY MATTERS

FORKLIFT SAFETY

National Forklift Safety Day is June 14. Avoid collisions, falls, tip-overs, and struck-by incidents with the following safety tips.

- ✓ Only trained and certified workers may operate a forklift.
- ✓ Always wear a seatbelt when the forklift has one.
- ✓ Never exceed the load limit and make sure it is stable and balanced.
- ✓ Keep a safe distance from platform and ramp edges.
- ✓ Do not raise or lower the load while traveling and never drive with the forks up.
- ✓ Slow down, stop, and sound the horn at intersections, corners, and wherever vision is obstructed; use wall and ceiling mirrors to help see around corners.
- ✓ Always look before backing up and use a spotter when visibility is limited.
- ✓ Don't let anyone walk or stand under raised forks.
- ✓ Don't give rides or use the forks to lift people.



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