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Forklift Safety: Newsletter



Safety and Rescue Training

for high-hazard work activities

**Confined Space
Fall Protection
Excavation
Forklift**

Forklift Train the Trainer Schedule

April 12 - Boardman

April 19- Eugene

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Our programs reflect:

ANSI/ASSE Z490.1 Criteria for Accepted Practices in Safety, Health, and Environmental Training

Forklifts can exhibit little problems or big problems. When you have a problem with your equipment, should you keep working or shutdown and repair?

Naturally it depends on the problem. If there's a major issue the answer is obvious. But what about little stuff? What kinds of problems require removal from service according to 1910.178(p)(1)?

Place a checkmark next to those items which you feel justify removing the forklift from service. Some of these items are pretty serious, some are judgment calls.

- a. Sticky steering
- b. Broken horn
- c. Defective parking brake
- d. Squeaky brakes
- e. Inaccurate or non-functioning gauge
- f. Cut tire
- g. Tire with pieces of rubber missing
- h. Loose bolts
- i. Missing bolts
- j. Stretched chain
- k. Unusual noise or vibration when operating the hydraulics
- l. Sticking hoist
- m. Wobble when driving or braking
- n. Damage to the overhead guard
- o. Cut or abraded seat belt
- p. Small hydraulic leak
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Any prudent operator will adhere to the saying: "When in doubt, take it out (of service)". But if all workers in the U.S. were prudent, training and certification wouldn't be such a big deal.

Answers: If you aren't sure, shut it down!

