



Turntable Platform Truck

The rules and procedures in force where people are at work may require the person responsible for this equipment to carry out a specific risk assessment

It is important to read this entire leaflet

BEFORE using the Turntable Platform Truck



1. Take care; a fully loaded turntable truck may become difficult to control and stop.
2. Do not exceed the safe working load (SWL) marked on the truck.
3. This turntable truck is designed to facilitate the transport of goods within factory or site premises over fairly even ground.
4. The action of this turntable truck can cause injury or damage if not used in a careful and controlled way.
5. If the operator has not used a turntable truck before they should familiarise themselves with the equipment before starting work.
6. Each route and load should be planned in order to foresee any problems that may occur so that they can be dealt with safely.
7. The following items of personal protective equipment should be worn as a minimum: Protective Boots complying with EN345 or BS 1870/4972; Gloves with reinforced palms and fingers; Safety Helmet (EN397 or BS5240) if work above head height is expected.

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6. If the truck is going up (or down) a slope with a heavy load, more than one person will be required to control and pull the truck.
7. A turntable truck should always be pulled, except when descending inclines, when it is safer to control from behind. Ensure that there is a line of sight over the top of the load.
8. Operators should not pull beyond their own capabilities and should get someone to help if required. Lighten the load if it is too heavy.
9. Be aware of other people when operating the truck, they may not get out of the way if as they may not have seen the truck.
10. Work should be stopped and the truck made safe if someone approaches.
11. A loaded turntable truck should not be left unattended without the parking brake applied or the wheels securely chocked.
12. If the equipment does not work properly, so not attempt to repair it. Contact the hire company.

Please keep this leaflet safely as it may be required for future reference



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WORK AREA

1. Plan the route carefully avoiding steep inclines and cambers if possible.
2. Make sure that the work area is clear and safe and that no-one is nearby who could cause a distraction.
3. If the turntable truck is being used repeatedly over the same route, the area should be cordoned off with barriers and warning signs, to prevent people crossing the route.

OPERATORS

1. The following items of personal protective equipment (ppe) are the minimum that should be worn when this hand truck is being used. Particular jobs or environments may require a higher level of protection.
2. Safety Boots should be worn (EN345 or BS1870/4972), with good grip and ankle support.
3. Gloves with reinforced palms and fingers should be worn.
4. A safety helmet will be required by (EN397 or BS5240) if required by site regulations or if working above head height.
4. Turntable trucks will not operate well on soft ground. A level and hard surface should be used if at all possible. Extra care must be taken on other surfaces.

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risk of the truck over-turning. A different route should be considered.

1. Personal protective equipment must be worn including safety boots and gloves.

2. The truck must always be loaded safely and the safest route taken.
3. The load should be kept as low as possible with the weight distributed as evenly as possible.
4. The truck should always be loaded carefully to ensure that every load is secure.
5. Items may need to be tied or strapped to the truck in order to make a secure load. The center of gravity must be kept as low as possible.

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1. Check the turntable truck, if anything is found damaged, do not use it – contact the hire company.
2. Do not exceed the carrying capacity (SWL), marked on the truck, check with the hire company.
3. Some turntable trucks have a parking brake, operated by lifting the handle into the vertical position.
4. Prevent accidental movements of the truck by using the parking brake and/or wheel chocks.
5. Never allow anyone to ride on the truck, it is for materials only.
6. Care must be taken when traversing slopes or bumps. There may be a

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5. Anyone who is working nearby will also need to wear appropriate personal protective equipment.
6. Operators should not lift or pull beyond their own capabilities.



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