

CONSTRUCTION SAFETY TOOL BOX TALK SERIES

#7 - HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH SCISSORS LIFTS

<u>HAZARD</u>	<u>PROCEDURE</u>
Improper lift operation	Only properly trained individuals may operate scissors lifts. All lifts must be inspected before use. Know the load capacity of the lift and never exceed it.
Tipping the lift over	Lifts may not be traveled unless the basket is in the lowered position. Floors must be inspected for holes or objects that could upset the lift. Never tie off to the guardrail of a scissors lift. You could pull it over if you fall out. Never lean out to the side of a scissors lift. Reset its position if necessary.
Falling out of the platform	All guardrails must be in place, including entrance mid-rails and chains. You must remain on the floor of the platform unless tied off to the structure above. Never stand on the toe board or guardrails of a scissors lift.
Overhead Hazards	Always look up when raising a scissors lift.
Running the lift off the edge	Lifts must always be operated parallel to edges and holes even when guarded. Lifts must always be operated perpendicular to stairways.
Damaging electrical cords	Be sure that cords tied to lifts have enough slack during travel. Avoid running over cords during travel.

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