

Hamilton Manlift Certification

Hamilton Manlift Certification - The Manlifts and Elevated Platforms program offers training on the rules, regulations and correct application of safe operating measures and work practices involved in daily activities for those who work using this equipment. The program has been designed for people who are actively involved in these activities or individuals who have a basic understanding of this machinery.

In the last couple of decades, aerial platforms and manlifts have become a common sight in industrial maintenance applications and on construction job sites. These machinery provide an easy way to lift workers close to what must be carried out on a stable platform apparatus, allowing staff to carry out tasks with greater safety and comfort rather than being perched on top of scaffolding or ladders.

Like every other tool, manlifts are only safe when they are used properly. Since they lift staff above floor or ground level, accidents can easily happen and this may result in serious fatalities or injuries for both the manlift operators and whoever passerby who might be unlucky enough to be standing beneath.

There are a variety of models of manlifts. Nearly all fall into 1 of 2 categories: the articulating boom lift, which has the capability of both vertical and horizontal movement and the scissors lift, which is capable of moving up and down.

Protecting Staff

It is vital to offer correct training for you operators. Many companies that lease these machinery will provide on site training. Every worker who would be working on the equipment or operating it has to receive training in safe operations. It is likewise important that only those employees who have received training must be authorized to operate the controls. Communication rules and operating procedures must be clear. Therefore, workers on the ground must not operate controls without the knowledge and approval of any staff in the basket.

Those staff who will be occupying the basket are required to wear right fall protection including a harness and lanyard. That protection must be connected to the manlift itself and not to a nearby surface. The employee must make sure that he or she has made whichever adjustments required to reflect the change in fall distance if there are changes in the height of the work area.

Manlifts need to be tested and inspected each day to make sure they are in safe operating condition. Prior to using the machinery, any defects should be re-checked and fixed.