

## Safe Work Method Statement SWMS-422



SWMS Title:	Operation of Fork Lift		Description of Task / Activity:	Operation of Fork Lift		
Partner Site:	All Partner Sites					
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**Risk Matrix** 

# Elimination Substitution Engineering Administration

RISK ASSESSMENT PROCESS							
Step 1 Determine Probability		Step 2 CONSEQUENCE					
		Δ.	Practically impossible	1	Minor Near Miss	Under \$500 Damage and Minimal Productivity Disruption.	No Damage
В	Not Likely to Occur	2	First Aid Treatment Injury	\$500–1000 Damage and/or Slight Production Disruption.	Minor Damage		
C	Unusual but Possible	3	MTI or Short Term LTI	\$1000–5000 Damage and/or Production Disruption.	Reversible Damage		
D	Quite Possible	4	Long Term LTI	\$5000–10,000 Damage and/or Project Contingency Plan Required.	Serious Damage		
E	Almost Certain	5	Fatality, Permanent Disability	More than \$10,000 Damage and/or Large Reorganisation of Project.	Major Damage		

RISK ASSESSMENT PROCESS							
Step 3 Calculate Risk							
Consequence							
Likelihood	1	2	3	4	5		
А	1	3	6	10	15		
	Low	Low	Low	Medium	High		
В	2	5	9	14	19		
	Low	Low	Medium	High	Extreme		
С	4	8	13	18	22		
	Low	Medium	Medium	High	Extreme		
D	7	12	17	21	24		
	Low	Medium	High	Extreme	Extreme		
E	11	16	20	23	25		
	Medium	High	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme		

Required PPE (Personal Protective Equipment)								
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Process Area: Health, Safety, Environment & Quality



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1. Hazard / Hazardous Event	2. Current Controls
General worksite requirements  Exposure to Environmental Conditions – Heat / Cold	High visibility vest / Jacket with reflective tape and safety footwear to be worn at all Coles Distribution Centre  Sites
exposure to Environmental Conditions – neat / Cold	<ul><li>Sites.</li><li>Ensure a wide brimmed hat and sun screen is worn when working outdoors.</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>Schedule forklift operation outdoors during cold periods.</li> </ul>
Training and Competency	Forklifts to only be operated by competent City TM's who hold the appropriate License to Perform high risk work (License Class – Forklift) / Certificate of Competency.
	Completion of Coles Logistics Forklift familiarisation / operation training.
Conduct pre operational check	Always conduct a pre-operational check prior to operating equipment (whether manually or via Infolink).
	Confirm equipment is in a safe operational condition prior to commencement of use.
	Review and confirm forklift's compliance plate, lifting capacities and operate the forklift according to the
	manufacturer's specification.
W. I T. W. I. I.A	If an equipment fault is identified, tag the forklift "out of service" and report it to a line manager.
Working in Trafficked Areas – (Pedestrians, Motorised Material Handling Equipment, Workplace Transport)	Erect appropriate barricades to separate vehicles, pedestrian and drop zones prior to operation.
Hariding Equipment, Workplace Transport)	Plan the route to be taken and ensure clear vision is maintained at all times.
	Ensure pedestrians are not within 1m of operation.  - "
	Follow site traffic management plan.
	Consider use of Traffic Marshall.
Driving and Operating	Ensure petrol / LPG forklifts are not used indoors.
	Electrical forklifts only to be used for internal work.
	Operate the forklift truck strictly in accordance with manufacturer's specifications.
	<ul> <li>Ensure the directional arrow is in the neutral position, if relevant to the forklift, before driving off or changing direction.</li> </ul>
	Be aware of overhead hazards (e.g. roof, light fittings, sprinklers, ducting or powerlines).
	Keep all parts of the body within the confines of the forklift when it is in motion.
	Operate forklift within nominated speed limits.
	If object falls from heights or collision is imminent, remain within the parameters of the forklift and brace yourself for impact. Do NOT jump off the machine.
	Forklift must be stationery before lifting or lowering a load.
	Do not use damaged pallets.



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- Do not operate with unstable loads.
- Always travel up a ramp with the load going first.
- Always back down the ramp with the load trailing.
- Wear a seatbelt if fitted.
- Avoid slippery or uneven surfaces.
- Do not run over pallet boards or debris on the floor.
- Do not turn the forklift off with the tynes raised.
- Do not leave the forklift where it blocks access to fire-fighting equipment and emergency exits.
- Do not carry passengers.
- When getting off the forklift ensure the hand brake is on, tynes are lowered and flat on the ground, then switch the engine off.
- When stepping off a forklift, check for traffic, then lower one foot at a time, ensure three points of contact is maintained and never jump off.
- Operate forklift with load and tynes as low as possible to increase operators' field of vision.
- Ensure that loads are within the rated load capacity of the forklift truck. Carry loads as close to the ground as possible.
- Operate the forklift truck with the load placed fully against the truck carriage or back rest. The mast should be titled sufficiently backward to safeguard the load.
- Maintain a clear view ahead and behind (via a correctly adjusted rear view mirror) and give clear indication of your intentions. Maintain a safe distance from other vehicles.

#### 3. Additional Information

• For Additional Information contact the HSE Team.

4. Activity Risk Rating: Medium (C3)