

Operating a Powered Industrial Truck

When Operating a Powered Industrial Truck (Forklift):

- ◆ Adhere to all posted plant speed limits
- ◆ Drive only in designated areas
- ◆ Do not attempt to pass other forklifts traveling in the same direction
- ◆ Check your blind spot for hidden dangers
- ◆ Keep a clear view of your path of travel

Rules of the Road

- ◆ Slow down when approaching a cross aisle, or any area where your vision is obstructed
- ◆ Sound the horn before crossing any intersection to warn potential passersby
- ◆ Ascend and descend grades very slowly
- ◆ Slow down whenever you encounter a wet or slippery floor
- ◆ Do not run over loose objects in the roadway
- ◆ When turning — reduce speed and turn the steering wheel with a smooth, sweeping motion

Load Safety

- ◆ Carry only stable loads
- ◆ Use extreme caution when transporting a load that must be carried off-center
- ◆ Know the limits of the forklift and carry only items within these limits



Fueling Gas Powered Industrial Trucks

- ◆ Turn off the engine when filling tanks
- ◆ Avoid spillage
- ◆ Replace the fuel tank cap before restarting the engine
- ◆ Never use an open flame to check electrolyte levels in storage batteries or gasoline levels in fuel tanks
- ◆ If there is a leak in the fuel system, remove the forklift from service and have it repaired immediately