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Purpose

The purpose of this program is to define the requirements for safely operating an aerial lift device.

Scope

This policy shall cover all aerial lift devices used on Dee Cramer, Inc. property or jobsites.

Key Responsibilities

Supervisors


- Shall ensure that all aerial devices are properly operated by competent personnel.
- Shall ensure pre-use inspections are performed prior to equipment use.

Employees

- Shall follow all aspects of this program.

Procedure for Safe Operational Use

- Elevated platforms/aerial lifts may not be “field modified” for uses other than those intended by the manufacturer.
- Pre-use inspections are to be documented, not just visual, including the work area to be used. Lift controls shall be inspected and tested each day prior to use to determine that such controls are in safe working conditions. Inspections and tests shall be made at the beginning of each shift during which the equipment is to be used to determine that the brakes and operating systems are in proper working condition. Additional inspections shall be made and documented in accordance with the manufacturer’s requirements.
- Only authorized, competent persons shall operate an elevated platform/aerial lift. All employees who operate an aerial lift device shall be trained in the safe operation of the specific device they will operate. Competency is established by a written and documented operational practical exam administered by a qualified instructor. Each exam series is only for the specific model being used.
- Boom and basket load limits specified by the manufacturer shall not be exceeded and if equipped with outriggers they shall always be deployed on stable, level ground.
- Aerial lifts shall have a working back-up alarm audible above the surrounding noise level or the vehicle is backed up only when an observer (spotter) signals that it is safe to do so.
- The minimum clearance between electrical lines and any part of the equipment (i.e., crane or load) shall be 10 feet for lines rated 50 kV or below.
- Employees shall always stand firmly on the floor of the basket and shall not sit or climb on the edge of the basket or use planks, ladders, or other devices for a work position.
- Dee Cramer, Inc. requires the operator/user to be competent in fall protection. An approved fall restraint system shall be worn when working from an aerial lift when required by the manufacturer and/or the job owner, Scissor lifts may be exempt from fall protections. The fall restraint system must be attached to the boom or basket. An approved fall restraint system shall be attached to the boom or basket when

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working from an aerial lift and it is not permitted to be attached to adjacent poles or structures.

- All employees who operate an aerial lift device shall be trained in the safe operation of the specific device they will operate. Training must conform to local and federal requirements and must be documented.