

Telescopic handler – suspended loads Non-Rough Terrain (experienced)

Learning outcomes

Including additional guidance to support training delivery and final assessment The delegate will be able to:

prepare the telescopic handler for movement

Delivery to include:

 revision on machine preparation activities including use of seat belts, full pre-start and running checks and ensuring all visibility aids are adjusted for maximum visibility

Assessment criteria:

- demonstrate that the seatbelt is worn correctly, and seating position and mirrors are adjusted correctly prior to any machine movement - this should be observed during practical assessment
- check all applicable warning lamps, safety and stability systems and visions systems are in place, clear and functional this should be observed during practical assessment
- conduct all-round visibility checks before moving away this should be observed during practical assessment
- describe why effective vision is extremely important
- give an example of how and where issues can arise when vision is limited during operation
- conduct all chassis and loader component functional checks
- describe function and information of inclinometer, chassis tilt mechanism, rated capacity indicator (RCI) / longitudinal load moment indicator (LLMI) / load moment indicator (LMI) / load moment control (LMC) / limiters and so forth.
- wear the correct PPE this should be observed during practical assessment
- describe the requirements and limitations for travelling on the public highway
- explain how tyre condition, pressures, sizes, ratings and repairs and so forth, can affect machine stability and safety

fit, adjust, and remove suspended load attachments

Delivery to include:

- authorised attachment and non-authorised types
- function, use and precautions
- attachment and removal procedures
- machine configuration and positioning
- securing requirements and essential pre-use checks

Assessment criteria:

- explain why only manufacturer's approved suspended load attachments can be used
- describe the function, use and precautions of using suspended load attachments
- explain securing requirements and essential pre-use checks



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- attach and detach an approved suspended load attachment to and from the machine following required procedures – this should be observed during practical assessment
- configure and position the machine for attaching/detaching activities this should be
 observed during practical assessment secure the attachment and carry out all pre-use checks
 – this should be observed during practical assessment

manoeuvre, prepare and configure the machine to pick up a range of suspended loads

Delivery to include:

- authorisation/approval by the manufacturer and the appointed lift planner for travelling with suspended loads
- rated capacity of the machine for travelling with suspended loads in various configurations to include derating requirements
- the importance of maintaining good visibility
- the correct use of all loader hydraulic controls including boom raise/lower, extension and carriage tilt
- correct machine configuration for different types of suspended loads
- why all lifts must be planned, supervised, and carried out safely
- load charts, load centres/centres of gravity, lifting capacities relevant to reach and height
- use of stabilisers and levelling systems for the lifting and placing of suspended loads
- ensuring ground conditions can support the machine and load weight
- determining the total weight to be lifted for the height and reach using manufacturers data
- methods of establishing weight of various types of loads
- factors that can impact the lateral and longitudinal stability including with raised boom, overloading, ground, and levelling requirements
- prior confirmation on where each suspended load needs to be transported to and where to be placed
- effects and changes on stability when deploying and not deploying stabilisers
- authorised lifting points/accessories to attach suspended loads to machine
- ensuring the load size does not foul the machine when being lifted
- communication requirements and protocol with load handler
- rated capacity plate/s load charts specific to handling of suspended loads
- types of lifting accessories including suitable and non-suitable types for telehandler operations
- types of lifting accessories relevant to telehandler suspended load operations
- use of recognition sensors for load capacities the selection of approved lifting attachments and associated load charts to manufactures specification

Assessment criteria:

 explain why all lifts should be planned, by whom and factors to be taken into account when lifts using telescopic handlers are being planned



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- explain why manufacturer's approval is required for the moving of suspended loads
- explain the type and level of information that would be contained within the manufacturer's issued load/lift capacity chart
- explain why all lifts must be supervised and carried out safely
- explain the roles involved in lifting operations
- explain what the legal requirement for rating plates and what information is should be displayed
- demonstrate the correct use and application of steering, transmission, and braking controls this should be observed during practical assessment
- explain the importance of maintaining good visibility
- demonstrate the correct machine configuration for different suspended load types this should be observed during practical assessment
- state the need for a lift plan and what typical information is contained within the plan
- state the use of load charts and what information they provide
- explain the need to know the load centre and the centre of gravity of a load and the effect on safe lifting capacities
- demonstrate correct use of stabilisers and levelling systems (if fitted) this should be observed during practical assessment
- explain how recognition sensors can automatically reduce load capacities to the working limit of attachments
- explain methods of establishing weight of loads
- · explain how load sizes can foul the machine when being lifted
- explain the factors that can impact the lateral and longitudinal stability
- explain methods of communication, radio protocol, hand signals and so forth.
- state the different types of relevant lifting accessories applicable to telehandler suspended load activities
- travel to various locations for lifting of pre-set loads this should be observed during practical assessment
- demonstrate how to configure, set, and prepare the machine (including fork spacing) to lift a suspended load - this should be observed during practical assessment
- demonstrate that all around visibility is maintained during manoeuvring activities this should be observed during practical assessment
- check that ground conditions can support the machine's total weight for the working height and reach this should be observed during practical assessment
- establish the weight of load against rated capacity charts for intended height and reach this should be observed during practical assessment

lift, transfer and place suspended loads accurately and safely

Delivery to include:

- keeping within designated travel routes
- dangers of travelling with suspended loads including slinger/signaller/load handler positioning
- maintaining full observation



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- executing full turns to the left and right carrying a suspended load
- lateral stability issues when cornering with a suspended load
- why suspended load should not be carried up, down or across any incline
- carrying out trial lifts and reasons for
- lifting and placing of a suspended load when the load is partially or fully out-of-sight of the operator
- reasons for smooth use of all hydraulic controls when lifting and placing suspended loads
- methods of controlling load movement/swing and maintaining load security
- how environmental factors can induce load swing
- factors that affect safe and effective transportation of suspended loads
- factors and examples that determine where suspended loads can and cannot be placed
- methods of communication, radio protocol, hand signals and so forth.
- why suspended loads should not be left unattended
- visibility requirements when travelling with a suspended load and dangers of losing sight of the slinger/signaller/load handler
- definition of dynamic stability and the causes and effects of instability
- how and why load swing must be minimised
- how load shapes, size, weight, length, centre of gravity and securing arrangements affect load security and safe movement of suspended loads
- how typical site terrain such as, uneven ground can affect machine stability
- definition of dynamic stability and the causes and effects of

Assessment criteria:

- keep within designated travel routes this should be observed during practical assessment
- explain the dangers of travelling with suspended loads, why slinger/signaller/load handler positioning is important and dangers of losing sight of the slinger/signaller/load handler during travel
- maintain full observation this should be observed during practical assessment
- describe the reasons for smooth use of all hydraulic controls, particularly at height
- explain the reasons for the carrying out of a trial lift
- explain the factors and give examples that determine where suspended loads can and cannot be placed
- ensure travel speeds do not exceed terrain type, load type and clear of any route hazards this should be observed during practical assessment
- attach and lift 1 x suspended load that is not less than 50% of machine rated capacity this should be observed during practical assessment
- lift a suspended load for travel and reverse with the suspended load for a minimum of 20 metres this should be observed during practical assessment
- place suspended loads accurately at given predetermined points this should be observed during practical assessment
- blind lift and place a suspended load this should be observed during practical assessment
- follow given signals and instructions this should be observed during practical assessment



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- maintain machine stability and ensure safe parameters are not exceeded on a lift this should be observed during practical assessment
- demonstrate full turns to the left and right in forward and reverse this should be observed during practical assessment
- explain what is meant by dynamic stability and the potential causes and effects of instability
- explain how load swing is increased during travel and cornering and how it can be minimised
- explain why suspended loads should not be left unattended
- explain what procedures should be followed if a suspended load needs to be left unattended
- explain how load shapes, size, weight, length, centre of gravity and securing arrangements affect load security and safe movement of suspended loads
- explain how typical site terrain such as, uneven ground and inclines can affect machine stability
- describe how load swing can affect load security and how including environmental factors can cause load swing
- outline how moisture content within a load can affect stability
- explain the need for effective visibility when travelling with a suspended load and dangers if visibility is low during travel
- explain how load weights, sizes and the working ranges of the machine can affect stability when lifting and travelling with suspended load