

# Weight Handling Safety

**Title:** Lifting Suspended Loads with “Non-Crane” Equipment

**Target Audience:** Operators of Non-Crane Equipment being used to Suspend Loads



- Performing suspended load lifts with multi-purpose machines, forklifts, or construction equipment is very convenient; and can be very dangerous if not performed ‘by the book!’
- NAVFAC P-307 OF DECEMBER 2009, SECTION 10, paragraph 10.18
  - Ensure the equipment **OEM permits** such lifts to be made.
  - Ensure equipment is **configured** as required by OEM.
  - Ensure the equipment is **equipped** with a **capacity chart**.
  - Ensure **operators** are **LICENSED** in accordance with NAVSUP P-538 or NAVFAC P-300 as applicable, and are **TRAINED** to make such lifts.
  - Lifts of **PERSONNEL** in a suspended platform with these machines is **PROHIBITED**.
- Rigging Gear used to suspend loads must comply with NAVFAC P-307 OF DECEMBER 2009, SECTION 14.
- Remember that performing suspended load lifts is **NOT** the primary function of these pieces of equipment. **Special caution is required!**
- All shore activities and contracts were required to be in compliance by December 2010.