

Scissor Lift

Used Scissor Lift Portland - Scissor lifts are industrial equipment that relies on steel linked arms to lift vertically. These machines feature an “X” support system to accommodate vertical lifting at various heights. The scissor lift has a rectangular platform attached to the top of it. To maintain operator safety, there are support railings at the top of the platform. The scissor lift showcases a low profile that is excellent for compact, hard surfaces including pavement and concrete. This equipment relies on either a combustion engine or an electric motor to create the lift and transport the machine. The scissor lift operates on a vertical plane and if the operator needs to move the lift horizontally, they have to reposition the machine. The same lifting technology is used for the lifting components in regular scissor lift models as well as rough terrain models. The rough terrain units are designed for driving on gravel and uneven surfaces. Higher ground clearance and oversized all-terrain tires enable these machines to travel to tricky locations. Some scissor lifts have 4WD to travel through difficult and muddy locations. Thanks to the higher center of gravity lower lifting heights are available. If you have never operated one before, scissor lifts can seem strange or intimidating. While you may think this machine is susceptible to swaying in the wind or becoming unbalanced, understand that it has been designed to ensure total operator safety and that likely, you will not even feel the machine moving. Numerous safety tests need to be completed prior to being capable of being sold. It is natural to feel uncomfortable if you are new to this type of equipment. Safety precautions need to be maintained at all times. Depending on the application, there are a variety of electric scissor lift models to pick from. The model you will prefer will largely depend on the types of jobs you plan on completing. Key factors to consider include how high you will need to reach and the types of loads you will be moving. There are different models on the market that can help you reach various heights. Compact units are often used for interior locations including factories, warehouses or freight locations. If you do not need the highest capacity model, there is no need to choose the largest unit available. There are extra platforms and railings available to provide additional safety measures. Scissor lifts are reliable and safe for a multitude of applications. Of course, if these units did not undergo strict inspections and safety certification, they would not be for sale all over the world. These machines help us facilitate tasks that would otherwise not be possible. As these machines vertically elevate, the machine is transported into the correct location before lifting occurs. The operator needs to move the unit into the correct position before engaging the lift. There are a variety of safety features incorporated into the design. Safety is accomplished by following operational guidelines. There is a safe basket workspace on scissor lifts to ensure lifting tasks are more secure as opposed to hanging off of scaffolding or a ladder. Most scissor lifts utilize internally mounted batteries located inside the base of the machine to provide power. Charging is required after a long sitting for an extended time or working a long shift. Batteries may be changed every 12 hours or charged many times throughout the day. To facilitate scissor lift charging, the operator can park the machine close to an electrical outlet in a well-ventilated place. When the machine is parked, the emergency shut-off switch becomes engaged to stop. The sizeable red button found inside of the basket or the lift located near the charger or control box is the emergency shut-off switch. Oftentimes, the battery charger is found on the right side of the lift on the base of the machine. Older scissor lifts may have a battery charger found on the back of the unit. The charger is plugged into the AC extension cord in an area that is well-ventilated and then the extension cord is plugged into an electrical outlet. The electrical cord length on the battery charger has to be short for safety reasons to prevent the unit from running over it. There is a high possibility of danger if the extension cord dropped out of the battery charger while the machine is in operation. Once the scissor lift is plugged in, all of the lights on the charger should ideally become illuminated. After the scissor lift is plugged in the machine's batteries begin to charge. The battery lights will switch to green once complete charging has occurred and the charger will shut off. Older scissor lifts need to use a meter to show zero volts once they are completely charged and this charger

also turns off after completion. After the scissor lift is completely charged, the unit is ready to get back to work. Many places employ their scissor lift for 24 hours a day by having additional batteries continually charging.