

### Transport Platforms (TP) Safety Tips

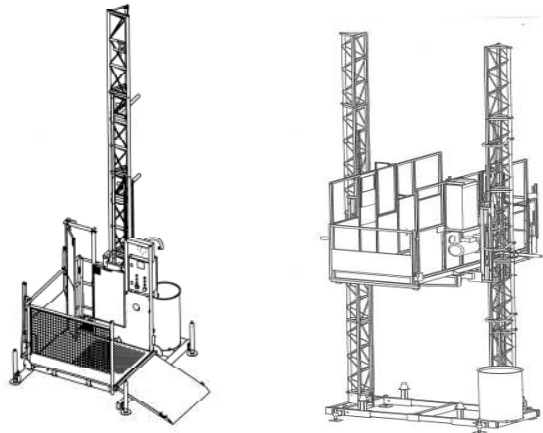
The Transport Platform is a tool of the trade used to move authorized and trained personnel with their materials and tools between levels at a worksite.

- TP's should be operated, used, erected and dismantled only by personnel who have been properly trained and familiarized with the specific model / machine. Only people who are authorized and have received the required training are permitted on the TP.
- A pre-start inspection must be completed at the beginning of each shift prior to use.
- Do not exceed the maximum load limitations, including both personnel and material for the configuration of the TP being used.
- Make sure that all inspections and maintenance are performed as required and according to manufacturer's instructions.
- When dismantling do not remove the wall ties unless the base and remaining ties can support the TP configuration without tipping.
- Ensure the TP operates at a minimum travel distance of 18" from the building or structure.
- When moving the TP always look in the direction of travel. Ensure there are no personnel or material beneath the platform.
- When descending, ensure the TP stops automatically no less than 10' above the supporting level for at least 3 seconds and sounds a continuous warning from that point until the bottom is reached.
- Always install guardrails and mast guards. Ensure access gates and other access locations are protected with guardrails.

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- Ensure that no material or personnel project beyond or overhang the platform guardrails.
- Use all required personal fall protection equipment during erection and dismantling.
- Only use normal operating controls for the TP. Do not bypass or override the normal operating controls or safety devices.
- Check for hazards such as overhead obstructions, building protrusions, high voltage lines, inadequate base support, drop off's, debris and other unsafe conditions.
- If jobsite conditions dictate and when transporting personnel, a roof shall be fitted to the TP, to protect from falling objects.

\*For guidance on training contact the manufacturer. *For additional guidance on training refer to ANSI A92.10-2009 or OSHA Regulations.*



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