



# JOB AID HAZARD AWARENESS INFO

## REACH TRUCK/ORDER PICKER

These machines are different from a counterbalance forklift truck. Reach trucks are designed for work in narrow aisles and have a tighter turning radius. Reach trucks provide better visibility for operator. They are ideally used indoors on flat surfaces.

### Hazards Involved/Arise

- Drivers experience blind spots while driving caused by the mast assembly
- Employees stepping into path
- Work focus - pedestrian and lift truck drivers alike
- Speed of equipment
- Skids of product placed in aisle while location bin is prepped causing restricted walking space
- Uneven floors/potholes
- Emissions from battery charging or combustion gas
- Batteries
- Broken skids and load stability



### People Affected

- Workers (product pickers, receiving staff)
- Maintenance staff
- Bystanders/Pedestrians

### Existing Controls

- Operator training on equipment and proper lifting techniques and pallet handling
- Equipment is maintained on a regular basis
- Regular inspection of equipment, warehouse and working surfaces
- Horn is sounded at each intersection and 360° mirrors at all major intersections
- Stop signs for both pedestrians and lift truck drivers
- Enforced use of pedestrian doors to keep them out of main travel aisles
- Stretching and micro pauses for operator
- Proper Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Engineering controls

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