

Forklift Safety Quiz

Employee: _____ Instructor: _____

Company: _____ Date: _____

Directions: Read each statement carefully and circle the response that most fully answers the question.

1. Who can operate a forklift?
 - a. truck drivers
 - b. supervisors
 - c. any employee who is on duty
 - d. trained and authorized employees

2. How many people are permitted to ride on a forklift?
 - a. only the operator
 - b. the operator plus any two authorized operators
 - c. up to three if reasonable hand holds are available
 - d. there is no pre-determined limit

3. How often should operators inspect their forklift?
 - a. hourly
 - b. weekly
 - c. every shift
 - d. monthly

4. Who has the right-of-way?
 - a. the largest forklift
 - b. pedestrians
 - c. forklifts approaching from the right
 - d. forklifts in the main aisle

5. What is the first thing to do before driving into a trailer?
 - a. check that the rear wheels have been chocked
 - b. raise the forks high enough to clear the dock plate
 - c. turn on available lighting
 - d. advise dock supervisor that you are entering the trailer

6. How high should a load be carried?
 - a. high enough to clear any bumps on the floor
 - b. 2 to 4 inches if possible
 - c. low enough to see
 - d. high enough to see under

7. When traveling down a ramp or incline:
 - a. back down when loaded
 - b. back up when loaded
 - c. always back down
 - d. use your own judgment

8. How soon should repairs be made to a forklift?
 - a. when performing routine maintenance
 - b. at the next scheduled maintenance time
 - c. before the unit is used
 - d. at the end of your shift

9. When is it OK to travel with a load raised more than a few inches?
 - a. whenever there is sufficient clearance
 - b. whenever you know the floor to be free of bumps
 - c. whenever it improves your visibility
 - d. never

10. The minimum distance the forks should extend into a pallet is?
 - a. all the way
 - b. half way
 - c. quarter way
 - d. far enough to balance the load

11. When should an operator tilt the load back on the mast?
 - a. before driving forward or backwards
 - b. when traveling over smooth surfaces
 - c. before driving up an incline
 - d. when the load gets in the way

12. Who is responsible for checking the security of a trailer before loading or unloading?
 - a. the dock supervisor
 - b. the forklift operator
 - c. the truck driver
 - d. whoever the company designates

13. Training on one type of vehicle:
 - a. qualifies the operator for that type of vehicle
 - b. is sufficient for all company forklifts
 - c. should be done every years
 - d. should be done every five years

14. The first thing to do when changing the battery or refueling:
 - a. shut off the unit
 - b. disconnect fuel lines or battery cables
 - c. put on the proper personal protective equipment
 - d. depends on the unit

15. Propane is
 - a. heavier than air
 - b. completely safe in all situations
 - c. lighter than air
 - d. best power source for forklifts

16. A forklift operator's performance must be evaluated:
 - a. monthly
 - b. yearly
 - c. every three years
 - d. every five years

17. When mounting or dismounting a forklift, face:
 - a. away from the forklift
 - b. toward the forklift
 - c. do it the most comfortable way
 - d. jump on or off

18. You can get under a raised load to check it:
 - a. for debris that may fall off
 - b. to be sure that the fork position is correct
 - c. never get under a raised load
 - d. whenever you feel it is necessary

19. What is the company speed limit?
 - a. exclusive operator control
 - b. 5 miles per hour
 - c. 2 miles per hour
 - d. as fast as you want