

What are the hazards and how might they harm?



Back and muscle strain from manual handling



Bruising and impact injuries from entrapment



Injuries as a result of falls from height

What PPE should the individual wear?



What other precautions should be taken?



You must be 18 years of age or above

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Unit Managers – use page overleaf to list any hazards and control measures specific to your site which are not listed below

Safe System of Work

1. You must be over 18 years of age or over and trained to use the platform lift.
2. You must wear reinforced toe cap safety shoes a high viz vest or jacket when loading and operating the lift.
3. Be aware of moving vehicles in the loading bag.
4. Where fitted, keep feet away from the ramp flap when lowering it or when moving the lift.
5. Follow safe manual handling practices.
6. Do not overload the lift and keep the load weight below the maximum load weight.
7. Ensure that the load is completely contained within the lift, with no items overhanging, and that it is stable.
8. Make sure the gate is properly shut before moving the platform.
9. Take care when opening and closing the locking mechanism and the ramp flap, to prevent entrapment of fingers and hands.
10. Where available, fold the ramp flap up when transporting items that are lower than the gate.
11. Never travel in the lift – it is only designed and to be used for transporting goods.
12. Stop the lift immediately if the load is unstable or there are any other problems.
13. Check the area is completely clear before lowering the platform.
14. Report any malfunction and DO NOT use the lift if it is not working correctly.

If you have any concerns, stop and speak with your line manager before proceeding.

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Platform lifts continued

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List any additional hazards or risks you have identified, and control measures required to manage these.