

Scissor Lift

Used Scissor Lift BC - The industrial equipment that utilizes crisscrossed steel linked arms is scissor lifts. Scissor lifts create an “X” support network to facilitate vertical lifting. 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 has a low profile to maintain stability on hard, compact surfaces like 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. Rough terrain and regular lift models rely on the same lifting technology to maneuver the lifting components. The rough terrain units are designed for driving on gravel and uneven surfaces. These machines rely on large all-terrain tires to allow rough terrain scissor lifts to traverse difficult locations while offering higher ground clearance. Certain models offer 4WD making them able to traverse through dirty areas. The higher center of gravity works in conjunction with lower lifting heights. 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. A variety of safety tests have to be completed before this unit can be sold. Of course, if you are new to this kind of equipment, it is normal to feel unsure until you familiarize yourself with the unit. Maintain safety procedures at all times. Depending on the application, there are a variety of electric scissor lift models to pick from. The unit you need will vastly depend on the kind of work you need to do. 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. Smaller models are commonly used for interior applications including warehouses and freight or factory settings. 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. These machines are designed to be reliable and safe. Many safety inspections and specifications need to be maintained in order for these industrial machines to be available for sale. 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 will ensure it is the proper position prior to engaging the lift. Numerous safety features have been designed into the machine. Following operational guidelines is essential for everyone’s safety. The scissor lift’s safety basket creates a secure work area compared to trying to accomplish similar tasks from a ladder or scaffolding. The majority of scissor lifts utilize batteries that are internally mounted inside of the base of the lift to generate power. Electric scissor lifts need to be charged regularly; especially after prolonged work shifts. Many operations charge their equipment daily or change batteries every twelve hours. Scissor lifts are charged in a well-ventilated area, parked near an electrical outlet. The emergency shut-off switch is engaged upon parking to prevent other operators from driving off while plugged in. The emergency shut-off switch is the big red button located in the basket or the lift close to the control box or the charger. 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 scissor lift charger is plugged into the AC extension cord into a well-ventilated location. Next, the extension cord plugs into an electrical outlet. It is essential that the electrical cord length on the battery charger is short to prevent being run over or damaged. If the extension cord came out of the battery charger storage location during operation, there is a great potential for extreme danger. Once the scissor lift is plugged in, all of the lights on the charger should ideally become illuminated. The batteries will automatically begin charging once plugged in. 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. The machine is

ready to tackle another shift once the batteries are fully charged. It is common for warehouses and businesses to have numerous batteries continually charging to keep the scissor lift operating 24 hours a day.