# **Forklift Extension Booms**

Forklift Extension Booms - Usually, we view forklifts as industrialized machinery used so as to pick up and transfer pallets. However, there are extensions obtainable to give the lift truck more length and strength for heavier loads. By utilizing one of the four main lift truck booms, your forklift could be handy for a variety of other applications. The four main forklift booms are the coil boom, the pipe boom, the shooting boom and the carpet boom. Each of these are meant for attachment onto your lift truck.

#### Coil Poles

Able to attach to the forklift's carriage, coil poles are designed to move rolled coils and other rolled materials like for instance concrete poles or reels of wire. Coil poles will allow you to move whatever rolled or cylinder material as well.

#### **Carpet Poles**

Carpet poles are a heavy duty attachment constructed from EN24T steel. They mount directly onto the forklifts' carriage. They are referred to as carpet poles but are even used so as to transport other sorts of rolled floor coverings as well as cylinder goods. They do not have the ability to raise heavy items such as coil poles or concrete pipes.

# Shooting Forklift Booms or Telehandlers

Shooting forklift booms are also called telehandlers or telescopic booms. They are extremely handy on rough terrain lift trucks and lift to heights of 20-40 feet. These booms are usually used outside on construction sites or within the agricultural industry.

# Booms Must Not Be Used On Pipes

Extreme damage can happen to the interior of a pipe when using any kind of boom in order to move the pipe. It is recommended that a lifting sling be utilized instead of a pipe boom in this particular function. Sometimes, cylinder shaped pipes and steel pipes should be transferred with a boom when a lifting sling is unavailable. In these cases, care should be taken to make sure the pipes internal integrity.

# Additional Kinds

There are two other booms that can be used by the lift truck and they both attach to the blades rather than the carriage. They allow an easy transition from pallet to rolled or coiled stuff together with the extra benefit of providing a clear line of sight for the individual operating it.

#### Guidance for Safety

Individuals operating the lift trucks need to complete training to be able to function the equipment in the most practical and safe method. Training is intended to keep the operator safe and to be able to prevent injury to people who are working within the same area. Forklifts are a heavy piece of industrial machinery and considered to be a possibly dangerous machine. Those who work with and around them need to comply with and understand all of the safety measures.

Additional training should be provided to individuals who will be dealing with lift truck booms. This would make certain they understand how to safely operate the booms. Accidents have occurred on the job from failure to carefully work a boom. A number of manufacturers offer training courses on the different types of booms and several provide on-site education where staff can be trained directly where they would be working. This on-hand training enables the guide a chance to address all safety concerns at that specific job site.