## **Forklift Extension Booms**

Forklift Extension Boom - Usually, we think of lift trucks as machines meant for moving and picking up pallets. There are extensions accessible to give the lift truck more strength and more length for heavier loads. By using one of the four major lift truck booms, your forklift can be useful for various other functions. The four major lift truck booms are the coil boom, the pipe boom, the shooting boom and the carpet boom. Each of these are designed for attachment onto your forklift.

#### Coil Poles

Coil poles are attached to the carriage of the forklift. They were meant for transporting rolled coils and other rolled materials like reels of wire or concrete poles. Coil poles will allow you to transfer any cylinder or rolled material too.

## Carpet Poles

Carpet poles are designed to mount directly to the forklifts' carriage and are constructed from EN24T steel. They are called carpet poles but are also utilized to move other types of rolled floor coverings as well as cylinder products. They do not have the capability to raise heavy objects like for example coil poles or concrete pipes.

## Telehandlers or Shooting Forklift Booms

Shooting forklift booms may also be referred to as telehandlers or telescopic booms and are specifically helpful on rough terrains. This kind of boom can hoist staff to heights of twenty to forty feet. These booms are typically used outside on construction job locations or within the agricultural industry.

# Booms Should Not Be Utilized On Pipes

Extreme damage could happen to the interior of a pipe whenever using any kind of boom in order to move the pipe. It is suggested that a hauling sling be used in place of a pipe boom in this particular function. Every so often, cylinder shaped pipes and steel pipes must be moved with a boom when a hauling sling is unavailable. In these circumstances, care must be taken to make certain the pipes interior integrity.

#### Other Types

Two additional booms could be used together with your lift truck; the clear view boon and the low profile boom. Not one of these booms attaches to the carriage but instead connects to the forklifts' forks. They enable an easy transition from pallet to coiled or rolled items along with the extra advantage of offering a clear line of sight for the individual operating it.

#### Guidance for Safety

Forklift operators should finish a training course so as to learn how to drive the machinery in the most practical and safe way. This preparation is intended to keep the individual operating it safe as well as to prevent any injury to those working nearby. Lift trucks are a heavy piece of industrial machinery and considered to be a possibly dangerous machine. People who work with and around them must comply with and know all of the safety precautions.

Additional training must be offered to those who will be dealing with forklift booms. This will make sure they comprehend how to safely work the booms. Accidents have occurred on the job from failure to carefully work a boom. Several manufacturers provide training courses on the different types of booms and a few provide on-site training where employees could be trained directly where they will be working. This on-hand training allows the trainer an opportunity to address all safety concerns at that specific job site.