

AERIAL PLATFORM: *Operation*

- SAFETY HARNESSSES – an approved safety harness with lanyard shall be properly worn when using an aerial/elevating work platform.
- The lanyard shall be securely attached to the manufacturer’s anchorage point basket, tub, or platform.
- **Belting off to an adjacent pole, structure or equipment while working from basket, tub, or platform *is prohibited.***
- The lanyard shall be attached in a manner that prevents a free fall of more than four feet. (Lanyards used on scissor lifts shall be shortened so the employee cannot fall over the top rail.)
- Do not load the basket, tub, or platform/basket beyond its rated maximum height or reach.
- Do not attempt to raise the platform/basket beyond its rated maximum height or reach.
- Aerial baskets, tubs, or platforms shall not be supported by or attached to any adjacent structures.
- Ladders, planks, or any other objects shall not be placed in or on top of the platform (or guardrail) to gain greater height.
- Workers shall not climb or sit on the edge of the basket/platform.
- The brake system shall be set whenever workers are being elevated in the vehicle.
- Outriggers should be on solid footing and shall be equipped with hydraulic holding valves or mechanical locks at the outriggers.
- Operate all controls slowly to facilitate smooth platform movement.
- Only in emergencies should lower-level controls at the base of the platform be operated when workers are in the basket.
- Boom mounted, telescoping, and rotating aerial platforms shall not be used as cranes.
- ***No Towering*** - When using condors and scissors lifts, **DO NOT** travel (move the wheels) with a worker in the basket. The boom should be retracted completely before traveling or moving.
- “Climbers”, pole-climbing equipment, shall not be worn while performing work from an aerial device.
- Where traffic or moving vehicles are present, the work area around the aerial equipment shall be marked by flags, signs, traffic cones, or other means of traffic control.
- Remote control operation may only be done from the side of the aerial platform: never in front of, or behind the vehicle.