# **Forklift Extension Booms**

Forklift Extension Boom - Usually, we think of lift trucks as equipment used for transporting and lifting pallets. There are extensions existing to give the lift truck more strength and more length for heavier loads. By using one of the four major lift truck booms, your lift truck could be handy for different other applications. The four major forklift booms are the shooting boom, the carpet boom, the coil boom and the pipe boom. Each of these are used for attachment onto your forklift.

#### Coil Poles

Able to attach to the forklift's carriage, coil poles are designed to transfer rolled coils and other rolled materials such as concrete poles or reels of wire. Coil poles will enable you to transport whichever cylinder or rolled material too.

#### Carpet Poles

Carpet poles are a heavy duty accessory constructed from EN24T steel. They mount directly onto the forklifts' carriage. They are referred to as carpet poles but are even used to transfer other types of rolled floor coverings in addition to cylinder goods. They do not have the ability to lift heavy objects like for example coil poles or concrete pipes.

# Shooting Forklift Booms or Telehandlers

Shooting forklift booms can even be referred to as telescopic booms or telehandlers and are particularly handy on rough terrains. This type of boom can raise staff to heights of 20-40 feet. These booms are normally utilized outside on construction jobsites or within the agricultural industry.

### Booms Must Not Be Used On Pipes

Extreme damage can occur to the interior of a pipe whenever using any kind of boom in order to move the pipe. It is recommended that a lifting sling be used rather than a pipe boom in this specific application. At times, cylinder shaped pipes and steel pipes should be transferred utilizing a boom whenever a hauling sling is unavailable. In these instances, care should be taken to make sure the pipes internal integrity.

# Other Types

There are two additional booms that can be utilized by the forklift and they both connect to the forks instead of the carriage. They enable an easy transition from pallet to coiled or rolled stuff along with the extra benefit of offering a clear line of sight for the individual operating it.

#### Training for Safety

Individuals operating the forklifts need to complete training in order to function the machinery in the most safe and practical method. Preparation is intended to keep the operator safe and so as to avoid injury to those who are working in the same area. Forklifts are a heavy piece of industrialized machinery and considered to be a potentially dangerous machine. Individuals who work with and around them must comply with and know all of the safety measures.

Additional training must be offered to those who will be working with lift truck booms. This would make certain they comprehend how to carefully work the booms. Accidents have happened on the job from failure to carefully work a boom. Some manufacturers provide training courses on the various kinds of booms and a few provide on-site education where workers can be trained directly where they will be working. This on-hand training enables the teacher an opportunity to address all safety concerns at that particular job location.