Working Safely Around Forklifts

Forklifts can be dangerous to work around. Stay safe—remember these cautions:

- Work in designated areas only. Avoid shortcuts through traffic areas.
- Let the forklift operator know you're working in the area.
- Be careful not to trip on the lowered forks of a stopped forklift. They're hard to see.
- Never walk under the elevated load of a forklift.
- Pay attention to what's going on around you. Many forklifts have very quiet motors.
- Listen for horns and look for flashing lights.
- Stop at corners and doorways and look both ways—just as if you were out on the street.
- Forklifts can move fast. Stay clear when a forklift is backing up or turning.
- Never hitch a ride on a forklift.
- Never engage in horseplay around a forklift.

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