## **GENERAL SAFETY**

Please read this guide carefully prior to operating equipment.

### MOST IMPORTANT -RISK ASSESS

Before you commence any work at your chosen work area, you should undertake some preliminary hazard identification and risk control precautions. Ideally more than one person should do this. This is undertaken by:

Physically inspecting the work site.

Reviewing the best way / job steps required to complete the task. Reviewing the Safe Work information supplied with the equipment. Reviewing other reference documentation and expert advice.

## The hazard identification and control process steps are defined as:

Identify the hazards (e.g. 240v power drill use around wet areas) Assess the Risk (multiple earth paths – possible electrocution) Select the control measure (e.g. dries the area, use an RCD, use a cordless drill etc.)

Re-assess the risk. (risk of electrocution now negligible) This is undertaken to ensure to ensure that the risk control measures adopted have not introduced any new risks to the work area.

### HELP

If the unit does not operate or you are unhappy with its performance, return it to our Hire depot for exchange or call for assistance. Do not attempt repairs yourself. Refer to your hire contract for contact information.

### SAFETY DO'S

**DO** take the time to read this User Guide and any other safety information provided (e.g. Decals, manufacturers instruction booklets), completely before operating any equipment.

**DO** satisfy yourself that you have the correct machine for the job and that you are aware how to safely operate it.

**DO** ensure you fully understand and are familiar with its operation including emergency shut off procedures.

**DO** ensure that the equipment is assembled and used according to the manufactures and hires instruction.

DO check controls and any other safety devises.

**DO** make sure you hold a possess a Certificate of Competency issued by the Regulatory Authority where required by particular equipment.

**DO** where possible operate in a clear work space free from nonessential persons.

**DO** ensure that you have secure footing and clear access to the

**DO** ensure that the work area is well lit with all aspects of the job easily seen.

**DO** ensure correct lifting techniques are used when using or transporting any machine or equipment.

#### SAFETY DONT"S

**DO NOT** operate any equipment if you are tired or suffering a medical condition, or if under the influence of Alcohol or drugs which, may cause drowsiness.

DO NOT hurry or take risks.

DO NOT operate equipment without guards correctly fitted.

DO NOT operate faulty equipment. If in doubt call your nearest Hire Depot

# Plasterboard Lifter Safety Instructions

Read and understand these instructions before using this equipment.

## Safety Instructions for this Equipment

- BEFORE operating this equipment, thoroughly read this set of instructions, make sure you understand them, and only then follow the step-by-step directions attached. FAILURE TO READ AND FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS could result in failure of the equipment. Failure of the equipment while the lift is raised can include a sudden and rapid lowering of the lift and load possibly resulting in serious property damage, serious bodily injury and/or death.
- Use and maintenance of the lifter shall be limited to authorized personnel who are trained in the proper techniques for it's safe operation and maintenance and who are familiar with the various hazards of overhead material handling.
- DO NOT ATTEMPT TO USE YOUR Lifter IF ANY PART IS MISSING, DAMAGED OR WORN. Contact the hirer before using the equipment. Using a Lifter with missing, damaged or worn components can result in failure of the unit and possibly severe property damage, severe bodily injury, and/or death.
- DO NOT pass your hand through the spokes on the winch when operating the unit as this could result in serious bodily injury.
- INSPECT THE CABLE BEFORE EACH USE.
  REPLACE AT THE FIRST SIGN OF WEAR. A
  worn, damaged or improperly installed cable
  can fail resulting in a sudden and rapid lowering
  of the lift and the load and possibly resulting in
  serious property damage, serious bodily injury,
  and/or death. Inspect the cable by
  disassembling the telescoping system as shown
  in steps 1-4 of this manual and examine the full
  length of the cable for signs of damage or wear.

- The weight capacity of the Lifter wallboard lift is 150 lbs. (68 kg). DO NOT load the unit beyond this limit. Load only one sheet of wallboard at a time. Failure to follow this warning can result in damage to the Lifter contributing to a sudden failure of the machine and serious property damage, serious bodily injury, and/or death.
- The Lifter is designed exclusively as a plasterboard lifter and shall be used for no other purpose. The Lifter is not a personnel lift or platform and shall not be used as such. Using the Lifter for purposes other than a plasterboard lift can subject the unit to stresses and loads that it was not designed to carry. This can result in failure of the unit which may include a sudden and rapid lowering of the lift and the load possibly resulting in serious property damage, serious bodily injury and/or death.
- The Lifter is made of steel which conducts electricity. KEEP THE UNIT AWAY FROM LIVE ELECTRICAL WIRES. Failure to do so could result in electrocution.

## **Safety Equipment**

The following protective equipment MUST be worn when using this equipment:

- Safety glasses and/or goggles.
- Dust mask if operation produces dust.
- Leather boots preferably with steel caps.
- Close fitting clothing.
- Hard hat

## **General Safety**

- Do not use machinery if you feel tired or under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Check controls for proper response. Shut down the machine if a fault is detected.
- Do not wipe plastic parts with solvents, such as petrol, thinner, alcohol and ammonia, as they will damage and crack plastic parts.
- Wipe parts with a soft cloth lightly dampened with soapy water.
- Always use the right tools. Never force a tool or attachment to do a job for which it was not designed. When using attachments, ensure

- they are fitted correctly and practice the operation before beginning work. Always use recommended accessories only.
- Always keep guards in place and in working order.
- Do not wear loose clothing, gloves, neckties, rings, bracelets or other jewellery which may get caught in the moving parts.
- Do not overreach. Ensure proper footing and balance when working with the tool.
- Always keep the work area well lighted.
- Never permit children, other people or animals to loiter near the work area.
- Do not fool around while operating, always keep the machine under control.
- Never leave a machine running while unattended.
- Do not use or continue to use faulty or damaged equipment.

Check the condition of the machine at the end of each day and report any damage or defects

REMEMBER: In the event of death, serious injury or a dangerous occurrence you must notify WHSQ 1300 369 915. For further Information or if in doubt over the use of this equipment, contact the supplier and ask for Instructions.

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### PERSONAL PROTECTION EQUIPMENT

To be used with all equipment as required.













WHATEVER YOU NEED TO GET THE JOB DONE...JUST ASK US!

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