

## **Boomlift / Manlift**

Used Boom Lift Canada - One of the commonest types of industrial equipment and aerial equipment is the boom lift. Also referred to as elevating work platforms, aerial devices, cherry pickers, mobile elevating work platforms and aerial work platforms, boom lifts are capable of completing jobs at higher elevations easily and efficiently. There are many places to find boom lifts at work including warehouses, contractors, various companies and in retail stores. Workers need to remain safe as they access locations at higher altitudes. There is a wide variety of boom lift models to choose from. A single operator can control a variety of boom lift models. This machine is popular for harvesting fruit in locations such as orchards that historically relied on climbing dangerous ladders. Since ladders require even, solid ground for setting them up safely, they can be unreliable in the agricultural industry. Relying on a boom lift is an easier and safer way to reach tree tops. Gaining Access Over Obstacles Boom lifts make working over top of obstacle much easier as many models have been engineered to travel up and over items. Boom lifts can reach items even when it is impossible to move the machine right underneath the area you are working in, making it possible to fix overhead cables within telephone line and pole installation, window cleaning applications and similar circumstances. With a variety of joints allowing the machine to bend over or under items, the articulated boom lift is helpful for numerous applications. To enable operators to access many places, these sections of the boom lift can move independently. This equipment is popular in narrow storage locations and hallways thanks to its' tight turning radius. The dual-fuel boom lifts provide service in both exterior and interior locations. Diesel models are used outside while electric boom lifts are implemented in interior locations. Articulating Boom Lifts These boom lifts are popular for numerous construction and maintenance jobs. Articulated boom lifts are utilized commonly for working on overhead power lines and wires. Firefighters may use these machines and some articulated boom lifts have water cannons. Telescoping sections are available on certain models to extend reach to the maximum. Certain articulating boom lifts can extend an additional six feet in any direction thanks to the additional jib in their design. Since these machines commonly work on steep ground and rough terrain, they resemble "spiders" with their long legs, and often go by that nickname on the job site. Capable of fitting through doorways, interior articulating boom lifts are more compact and used commonly in storage, retail and warehousing applications. Interior models are typically electric boom lifts due to their lack of dangerous carbon monoxide exhaust and quieter features. Telescopic Boom Lifts Designed otherwise, telescopic boom lift models bend differently from articulating boom lifts. These models extend upwards and outwards, relying on hydraulics that extend and retract. The worker who is in the platform has the controls to extend the lift and is able to operate without a second worker. Certain larger and taller models feature a jib located close to the top similar to an articulating boom lift model. Some models of boom lifts can achieve a reach of more than 180 feet. These machines are built to be stable and reliable. Some are able to extend to their full height capacity in less than 60 seconds. There are diesel and dual-fuel options with adjustable speed and weight range options from five hundred to one thousand pounds. Boom lifts can fit through tiny spaces and there are 4WD options on the market. In terms of combining height and reach, telescopic boom lifts are your best bet. Jib Boom lifts that have an extension between the platform and the end of the primary boom are called the jib. This enables extra reach and another articulation point or hinge for the platform to move side-to-side or up-and-down. Articulating boom lifts and telescoping boom lifts may have jibs. Articulating models have a joint situated roughly halfway between the wheels and the platform to enable it to reach over an obstacle and then lower again if required. Genie Articulating Boom Lifts The Genie Z-boom model is a common kind of articulating boom lift that can be found on the market. This model features excellent mobility and is capable of accessing hard to reach areas. The machine can lift up, over and out with ease, making difficult locations easy to work with. The first Genie Z-30/20 articulating Z-boom model was launched in 1985. Thanks to their "up an over" abilities, they have gained the ultimate

popularity that continues today. Proper Safety Measures Safety is the utmost priority when operating any kind of boom lift. It is essential that all potential safety hazards are known to anyone working within the area to maintain a safe atmosphere. Operating the equipment safely is vital for the operator and everyone in the vicinity. Proper safety gear and communication need to be completed prior to operating. Prior to operating. ensure there are no open flames, combustible or flammable items, lit cigarettes, battery gases or engine fuels present. Have a properly mounted, accessible and visible fire extinguisher mounted within reach. Maintaining a clear area around charging stations and work surfaces is important as tools or clutter could damage the boom lift or cause tire punctures etc. Daily Maintenance It is important to conduct a visual inspection prior to operating and to consult the maintenance manual to ensure everything is up to date. Lifting and supportive devices need to stabilize the weight on hand. Fasteners, straps and chains must be regularly checked to make sure they are safe working order. It is very dangerous to reuse single use fasteners and other components as they might fail if used beyond their recommendations. It is vital to discard oils and solvents safely and efficiently to prevent contaminating the environment. Safety can be increased with proper lighting and adequate ventilation along workbenches and within workshops and garages. Typically the wide umbrella of maintenance is distinguished by subsections such as Commissioning and Programmed Maintenance Intervals, Annual Maintenance, and Quarterly Maintenance. Maintenance Inspection Report Key components of the boom lift are divided up to categorize the inspection process. Some of the maintenance categories for the boom lift include the Engine, Platform, Controls and Function, Turntable, Booms and Drive Chassis. Improper completion can result in unsafe operation, damage to components, poor performance and downtime. The maintenance inspection report extend the performance and service life of the machine and needs to be accurately maintained to ensure the machine is safe to run and that the machine is capable of performing properly. The term commissioning refers to a list of single maintenance procedures that need to be completed at 50- and 150-hour intervals to keep the machine optimally running. Quarterly and annual maintenance is required to be performed throughout the year. There are a variety of programmed maintenance procedures based on preparing the machine for pre-delivery machine operating. Consult your maintenance manual prior to operating to ensure all oil changes, battery life and fluid levels are primed for success.