

THE HEIGHTS OF DANGER

8 M/NM Fatalities Involving Man Lifts since 2000



Two miners killed by falling rock while scaling.



Miner was killed by falling rock.



Two miners killed when man lift toppled over



Miner killed when hoisted material shifted.



Miner was killed when he slipped and fell from basket.



Miner was killed when he fell from a broken basket while scaling.

Best Practices

- Establish and discuss safe work procedures. Identify and control all hazards.
- Train all persons to recognize adverse conditions and environmental factors that can decrease stability.
- Ensure persons understand safe job procedures and eliminate all hazards before beginning work.
- Thoroughly inspect the entire man lift, especially areas subject to fatigue and stress.
- Ensure persons are properly task trained regarding safe operating procedures before allowing them to operate mobile equipment.
- Ensure that all operating systems and safety features on mobile equipment are maintained and functional at all times.
- Follow the manufacturer's operators manual and ensure required tests are performed on equipment.
- Park equipment on level, stable ground and operate it within the design specifications of the manufacturer.
- Use equipment only for its intended purpose. Boom lifts are not cranes!
- When using boom lifts in work areas with limited space, ensure that the controls are placed in the slowest speed to avoid abrupt movement.
- Monitor work activities to ensure that miners are protected from possible hazards.
- Always use fall protection where there is a danger of falling.
- Always examine, sound, and test for loose ground in areas before starting to work, after blasting, and as ground conditions warrant.

Take a Moment for a Lifetime

