

Telehandler / Zoom Boom

Used Telehandler Victorville - Telehandlers go by many different names including a boom lift, telescopic handler, Cherry picker or teleporter. These machines are utilized in agriculture and many different industries. It is similar to a forklift and a crane as it has a boom, enabling it to extend upwards and forwards from the vehicle. Many different attachments can be used at the end of the articulating boom to facilitate a wide number of jobs. Popular attachments include a muck grab, bucket, winch or pallet forks. The most common telehandler attachment is the pallet forks. These attachments help the operator transport different sized loads to many locations that would be considered unreachable with a traditional forklift. Telehandlers allow cargo pallets to be transported from trailers and placed on racking, rooftops or other difficult to reach locations. Typically, high locations would traditionally require a crane; however, telehandlers can facilitate these tasks easily and efficiently. It isn't always practical or affordable to rely on a crane or secondary machinery to complete the job. A bucket grab or a bucket is the most common attachments for telehandlers within the agricultural sector. Transporting items from unreachable places that cannot use a backhoe loader or a wheeled loader is one of the main advantages of using a telehandler. Telehandlers can directly access trailer units with high sides, hoppers or applications that would typically need a conveyor or loading ramp. Having one item to complete a variety of jobs saves time, money and storage space. Telehandlers commonly work alongside a crane jib. Various attachments may be used including rotators, dirt buckets, grain buckets and power booms. Agricultural models can be outfitted with power take-off and 3-point linkage, making the telehandler and exceptionally useful. Interestingly enough, the machines' main advantage is also its' biggest limitation. The boom acts as a lever when it extends or raises with heavy loads. Despite significant counterweights in the rear, the telehandler can be subject to instability at times, decreasing the lifting capacity as the working radius or distance between the center of the load and the front of the wheels increases. When a telehandler functions as a single boom loader (as opposed to twin arms) and carrying a heavy load, there can be a potential for weakness even in the best designs. A machine with a 5K lb. capacity could safely lift 400 lbs. while fully extended using a retracted low boom angle. Raising the same piece of equipment 70 degrees could allow this machine with a five thousand pound lift capability and retracted boom to support up to ten thousand pounds. Monitoring the angle, weight and boom height, there are load charts on this equipment to outline which tasks can be safely conducted. Updated telehandler models have computers and sensors. When the telehandler limits have been surpassed, the operator is cut off and warned from supplying further control input. There are front stabilizers that can drastically enhance the machine's lifting capacity while it is stationary. A mobile crane can also use a bucket is another option consisting of a stabilized rotary joint found between upper and lower frames. There are compact telehandler models that differ in boom design, size, reach and weight. Telehandlers that weigh 11,000 pounds or less fall into the compact category. Compact units have a two-stage boom compared to larger machines that feature three or four boom designs. The compact model showcases a low pivot boom to allow better cab visibility for the operator while transporting loads. Compact models are skinnier and have thinner dimensions. The reach capacity for compact units is between thirteen to twenty feet and these units offer a lift capacity from five to seven thousand pounds. There are many different applications this machine is suitable for working in. This machine can be utilized for carrying tools or as a pick and place unit. It is commonly utilized in spaces that are tight and cramped. Residential services are often employed during framing and for jobs with height restrictions. These units can be useful for accessing internal building locations. Compact units are popular in multi-story construction, nurseries, strip malls, landscaping, masonry, garage facilities and erecting steel among other applications. Farming and agri-business applications often rely on telehandlers to accomplish many tasks. Telehandlers come with crab steering or two or four-wheel drive options. This machine can traverse longer distances with two-wheel drive at higher speeds to facilitate easy travel between worksites. The 4-WD units are capable of

having a tighter turning radius and can travel difficult terrain. Crab steering enhances the units' maneuverability while allowing each set of wheels to move forty-five degrees to the right or left. Compact telehandlers have numerous cab environments to choose from. There is a rollover protective cage to enhance safety on less expensive models. Higher-end models are equipped with a fully enclosed cab, a heater, windshield wiper and defroster. All compact telehandler cabs are spacious to accommodate the operator as comfortable as possible. Additional options including satellite radio, air conditioning, armrests, cup holders, suspension seats and tilt steering are available. Many high-pressure hydraulics and high-flow auxiliary hydraulics operate the numerous attachments. The different attachments allow the machine to be capable of many options. All of these attachments enable the machine to conduct a variety of jobs. Ground engaging work is often completed by compact units. It is simple to transform a compact telehandler into a mini excavator with a bucket attachment. Light-duty to heavy-duty buckets can be attached for transferring material, side-shifting and rotating fork carriages are relied on for pick and place situations, augers for drilling post holes or planting trees or pier supports, truss booms for extending reach, crane hooks, brooms for sweeping and more. Skid steer attachments are being made for versatility and other compact telehandler designs.