Basic Rules for Forklift Operation

Be a safe operator...

- Get training in how to operate your truck.
- If a seatbelt is fitted it must be worn.
- Keep your hands and feet inside the cabin.
- Always check for pedestrians!
- Safety check the forklift before operating.

Load up safely...

- Make sure pallets are well-stacked and secure.
- Make sure the load doesn't obstruct your view.
- Make extra trips instead of overloading.
- Make sure the vehicle you are unloading has been secured - chocks ahead of wheels.

Unless under direct supervision, you must have a licence to operate a forklift.

Use your forklift correctly...

- Know your forklift's capabilities.
- Be sure your forklift meets safety requirements.
- Stay within the load capacity for your vehicle.
- Keep the load no more than 15 to 25cm (6 to 10 inches) off the floor.
- Use extreme caution when turning.
- Keep your truck in good working order.