

Tilting forklift

What happened?

- A load was too heavy for forklift and could not be secured
- An employee decided to hang on the back of the forklift as additional counterweight
- Forklift drove on slope or braked and started tilting forward
- A second employee tried to help by pulling the forklift back, but fell down
- The load started shoving on forks
- The forklift fell back on his wheels and crushed the fallen employee



What was the cause?

- The load was too heavy and not secured.
- A second employee decided to be the counterweight to make transport possible.
- The centre of gravity changed on the slope or by braking making the forklift tilting forward.
- The employee on the sitting on the back was pushed forward
- The tilt forward of the forklift increased.
- The load starts shoving on the forks.
- The centre of gravity changed suddenly again making the forklift coming down
- The employee was crushed under the forklift

How can this be avoided?

- Always use a forklift within the limits he is designed for.
- Always see that your load is well fixed and cannot start moving
- Special care must be taken when driving in or off slopes
- Never sit on the back of a forklift to increase the counterweight
- Never try to pull back a tilting forklift

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