

Telehandler / Zoom Boom

Used Telehandler Kentucky - Telehandlers have numerous names including a teleporter, Cherry picker, telescopic handler or boom lift. This industrial equipment is commonly used in a variety of industries including agriculture. This machine functions similarly to a crane and a forklift with the ability to extend upward and forward. Numerous attachments can be placed at the end of the articulating boom to conduct a variety of different jobs. Common attachments include pallet forks, a winch, a bucket or a muck grab. The pallet forks are the most popular telehandler attachment. Pallet forks enable the operator to move loads to and from a variety of locations that would otherwise be considered unreachable with a standard forklift. Telehandlers allow cargo pallets to be loaded and unloaded from a trailer and placed on high locations such as racking or rooftops. 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 or bucket grab is the most popular telehandler attachment in the agricultural industry. 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 are beneficial for applications that would usually require a loading ramp or conveyor since they are capable of directly accessing trailers with high sides and hoppers. Having one item to complete a variety of jobs saves time, money and storage space. Telehandler machines can work in conjunction with a crane jib. Numerous attachments can be utilized including power booms, grain buckets, dirt buckets and rotators. Agricultural models can be outfitted with power take-off and 3-point linkage, making the telehandler and exceptionally useful. Conversely, the main advantage of this machine doubles as its' largest limitation. When raising or extending with heavy loads, the boom functions similar to a lever. Even with rear counterweights, this machine may become unstable from time to time; decreasing the lift capacity when the distance between the center of the load and the front of the wheels or the working radius 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 5000 lb. capacity telehandler could lift 400 lbs. safely while fully extended with a retracted boom in conjunction with a low boom angle. The same piece of equipment with a five thousand pound lift capacity and retracted boom may be capable as supporting up to ten thousand pounds once the boom is raised to seventy degrees. 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. The operator is warned and even cut off further control input once the limits of the telehandler are surpassed. Front stabilizers that enhance the lifting capacity of the machine while stationary can make a huge difference. A stabilizing rotary joint between the upper and lower frames may be called a mobile crane that can use a bucket. There are compact telehandler models that differ in boom design, size, reach and weight. If the machine weighs in at eleven thousand pounds or less, it can be part of the compact category. Compact models feature a two- stage boom design in comparison to the three or four boom design that is common with larger units. Compact models rely on a low pivot boom to facilitate better cab visibility as the operator transports 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. Telehandlers can function as a pick and place unit or a tool carrier. Compact units are ideal for cramped locations. Residential services are often employed during framing and for jobs with height restrictions. Telehandlers can enter internal building access in hard-to-reach locations. Compact telehandlers are used in many applications including nurseries, erecting steel, multi-story construction, masonry, strip malls, garages and similar jobs. Agri-business and farming applications rely on telehandlers for a variety of jobs. Telehandlers can be found with two and four-wheel drive and crab steering capabilities. 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 is responsible for the increased maneuverability, allowing the front and rear wheels to shift forty-five degrees to the right or left. Compact telehandlers have numerous cab environments to choose from. On entry-level models, there is a rollover cage for added safety. Higher models come with a heater, a completely enclosed cab, defroster and windshield wiper. Operators enjoy spacious accommodation for ultimate comfort. Additional features such as cup holders, air conditioning, tilt steering, suspension seats and satellite radio are all options. Different high-flow auxiliary hydraulics and high-pressure hydraulics run the variety of attachments. These attachments increase the functions the machine is capable of. Compact units are more commonly utilized for ground engaging jobs. Adding a bucket attachment can make a compact telehandler transform into a mini excavator. 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.