WAC 296-863-40060 Make sure work platforms and PITs used to lift people meet these requirements. (1) You must make sure work platforms:

(a) Are securely fastened to the lifting carriage or forks;

(b) Have standard guardrails and toeboards on all sides.

(2) You must guard the area between the platform and the PIT mast to prevent employee contact with chains or other shear points.

(3) You must make sure PITs used to elevate a work platform have a lift mechanism that cannot drop faster than one hundred thirty five feet per minute in the event of a system failure.

(4) You must make sure the lifting carriage or forks are prevented from tilting.

Note: Examples of how this may be accomplished are the use of: 1. A control lever that prevents the inadvertent movement; or 2. Use of a strap or other device to hold the control lever in position.

(5) You must make sure PITs with controls (vertical only or horizontal and vertical) that can be elevated with the lifting carriage or forks, have a way for people on the platform to shut off power to the PIT.

Note: You can find the minimum requirements for standard railings of various types of construction in WAC 296-24-75011, Railings, toeboards and cover specifications.

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