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Compliance of relevant Health and Safety and Environmental acts is the responsibility of the hirer at all times .



These guidance notes are provided to the hirer as a reminder of their responsibility towards the operator and third parties and are not intended to be a comprehensive list of safety requirements. Reference should always be made to the manufacturer's operating instructions for further information. CP Hire (GB) Limited accepts no liability for any loss, damage or omission arising from the operation of this item of plant

SAFETY LEAFLET FOR EXCAVATORS



IT IS IMPORTANT TO READ THIS LEAFLET BEFORE OPERATING THIS MACHINERY

At CP Hire we value our customers and therefore provide this information to ensure the safety of all operators and to outline the effective maintenance and reliability checks necessary to ensure trouble free plant operation. It is essential that this guidance is read and understood by the Hirer before attempting to operate any plant or machinery items . It is general duty of the hirer under current health and safety legislation to provide adequate training and instruction to all employees and this information is intended to supplement that requirement. If at any time you require further information regarding any plant item please do not hesitate to contact your nearest CP Hire Branch.



Protective equipment must be worn when operating this machine



General Precautions

You must be fully trained and instructed to operate plant and equipment. You must have all information necessary to ensure safe operation of plant and equipment.

Ensure that all controls are in "neutral" position before starting engine. Ensure that proper ventilation exists when operating in buildings or areas that may become hazardous due to exhaust fumes etc.

Always wear adequate personal protection equipment (e.g. ear protection, gloves, high visibility coat, hard hat, foot protection, eye protection etc).

Report any defects immediately to your supervisor or the local CP Hire Branch.

Where Applicable:

Any plant operated on the public highway may be subject to the provisions of the Road Traffic Act and therefore, appropriate insurance must be obtained by the Hirer.

The Hirer is responsible to take all reasonable precautions to prevent theft of any plant or equipment. Such measures should include the removal of any keys when not in use and the provision of a secure area for storage when not in use (e.g. evenings and weekends) .

Hirers are responsible for insuring against any loss or damage to the equipment that may occur during the hire period.

Use of mobile phone is prohibited whilst operating this equipment

DAILY MAINTENANCE

Before Starting Work:

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| Check general condition of machine | Check for any fluid leaks etc. |
| Check Tracks | Check fuel level. |
| Check lights, including beacon | Check general operating ability. |
| Check condition of Quick Hitch Device and Retaining Pins. | Check oil and coolant levels, grease where necessary.. |
- Check all safety devices and guards.



SAFETY & MAINTENANCE - EXCAVATOR

It is the hirer's responsibility to ensure that any person operating any plant / equipment are properly trained and are in possession of all relevant information.

Please take note and act upon any caution or warning notices that are placed upon the equipment, these could involve maintenance to ensure the effective working of the machinery

All machines are fitted with **ROPS/canopies/cabs** which comply with regulations, should you wish to remove the **ROPS/canopy/cab** it is entirely at your own risk. CP Hire Ltd cannot remove any safety protection whatsoever from machines.

Always use the grab handles & steps to get in and out of the excavator. Keep footplates, pedals and steps clean and free from obstruction & debris.

Always start the engine whilst sitting on the operator seat. Never attempt to start the engine or operate whilst standing beside the excavator. Ensure seat belt is secured.

Do not allow access beneath the boom, blade or buckets. Never allow access to the turning/swing area of the boom. **THIS IS A CRUSH ZONE**

Always ensure the controls are locked before leaving or entering the cab.

Never overload the excavator buckets. Do not use the excavator as a crane.

Exercise extreme caution when operating on a gradient. Beware of overhead & underground services.

Never carry passengers or use the excavator for any use other than that for which it is intended.

Always ensure that the excavator is secure when not in use, the key is removed & the cab locked (where applicable).

Never leave the excavator unattended with the engine running. Do not allow unauthorised persons to operate the excavator.

Ensure that the ground conditions for operation of any equipment is suitable and fit for purpose. Compliance of the Road Traffic Act is at all times the responsibility of the hirer

It is the hirer's responsibility to make the equipment available for routine servicing.

SAFETY & MAINTENANCE - ATTACHMENTS

Attachments should always be appropriate for the machine and fitted in a secure manner, by trained personnel

Always ensure the combined weight of the attachment and load do not exceed the machine safe working load.

Whilst using attachments, never walk or allow any person to walk underneath the boom, always guard against loose items by using appropriate safety equipment.

It is the hirer's responsibility to make the equipment available for routine servicing