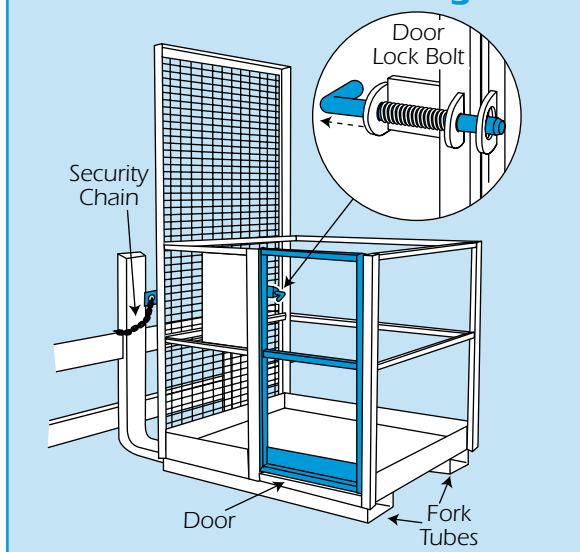


Standard Access Cage



Now **lift the safety rail assembly** in the same way as the mesh panels **and engage in its slots**. All that remains is to **swing the 4 side bars out and engage their lock pins in the holes at the side of the mesh panel**.

Whichever you are using...

The access cage is supported on the forks.

Set and lock the forks at the correct width for the access cage, then slide the forks fully into the access cage's fork tubes.

Attach the security chain around the upright of the nearest fork (see illustration), then tilt the forks fully back. The access cage is now ready to be used.

BASIC TECHNIQUES

The cage is only to be used for raising personnel. With the cage empty, the fork lift operator can now drive the unit taking all necessary precautions on the way.

Make sure the driver takes into consideration the centre of gravity of the access cage when moving the fork lift forward, backward or sideways. Never allow anyone under or in front of an access cage, loaded or unloaded.

Line the cage up with the work area, secure the hand break and then enter the cage.

Too gain access to the cage, either release the door lock bolt or unlatch the lock pins of both upper and lower side guard rail. Ensure the door or guard rails are fully closed and locked before raising the access cage.

Once safely inside the access cage, attach your safety harness to a suitable anchorage point.

If the cage needs to be moved left, right, forward or backward, the cage MUST be lowered and personnel MUST exit the unit.

DO NOT use on slopes, soft ground or where there is a risk of the fork lift subsiding.

Take your time and don't overdo it. You are more likely to have an accident if you are tired or rushing.

EQUIPMENT CARE

Never push the equipment beyond its design limits.

If it will not do what you want with reasonable ease and speed, assume you have the wrong equipment for the job. Contact your local HSS Lift & Shift Depot for advice.

Keep the equipment clean, you will find this less of a chore if you clean it regularly, rather than wait until the end of the hire period.

When not in use, store the equipment some-where clean, dry and safe from thieves and unauthorised users.

FINISHING OFF

Gently lower the access cage to the ground and allow the user/s to alight, remove the security chain and then remove the access cage from the forks.

If using the folding model, fold the unit down, simply reverse the instruction in 'GETTING STARTED'.

Give the access cage a final clean up ready for return, to your local HSS Lift & Shift Depot.



...any comments?

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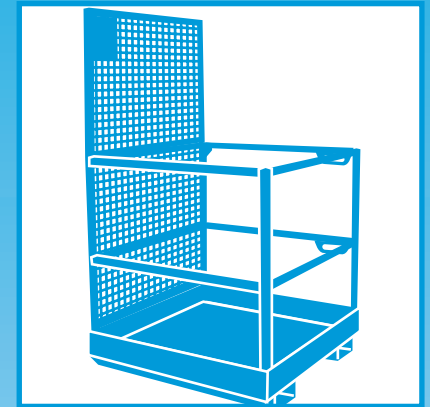
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Fork Lift Access Cage

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

For advice on the safety and suitability of this equipment contact your local HSS Lift & Shift Depot.


There is a serious risk of personal injury if you do not follow all instructions laid down in this guide.

This equipment is designed to be used by an able bodied, competent adult who has read and understood these instructions. Anyone with either a temporary or permanent disability, should seek expert advice before using it.

Keep children, animals and bystanders away from the work area. Cordon off a safe area using cones and barriers/tape.

  **Never use this equipment if you are ill, feeling tired, or under the influence of alcohol or drugs.**

   **Wear practical, protective clothing, gloves, footwear and a protective hard hat.** Avoid loose garments and jewellery that could catch in moving parts, tie back long hair.

 **Use this equipment for vertical lifts only and secure to the fork lift with the chain and karibina hook supplied.**

Make sure you know how to operate this equipment safely and are aware of its limitations before you use it.

It is both the hirers and the operators responsibility to perform a risk assessment before using this equipment. You are also responsible for the safety of any one in the work area.

Make sure that anyone in the immediate work area is warned of what you are doing. Never allow anyone under a raised access cage.

Never use the access cage near overhead power lines or similar hazards.

Be aware of the raised access cage when close to ceilings or other overhead obstructions.

This equipment MUST NOT be used to carry dangerous/corrosive loads.

Ensure the total weight of the access cage plus load does not exceed 50% of the fork lifts safe working load (SWL).

Do not load this access cage with items that are wider or longer than the internal area.

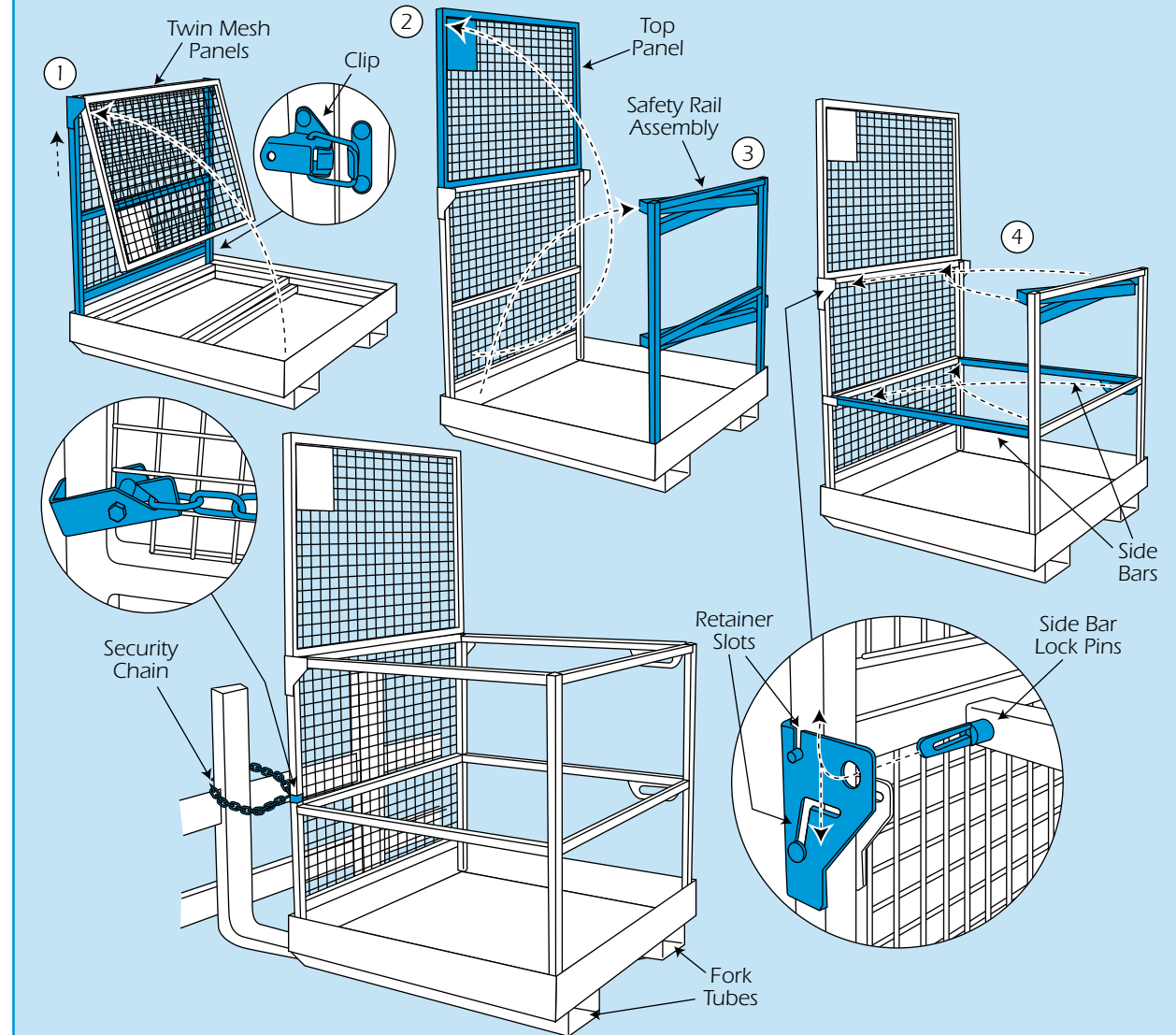
Never use the access cage unless the forks are fully engaged and the security chain correctly fitted.

Do not use the equipment for work involving the application of excessive or repetitive lateral forces.

In addition, never raise/lower heavy loads from the cage or lean ladders against it.

The cage may only be used with a standard fork lift. All Terrain and Telescopic site units MUST NOT BE USED.

Folding Cage



Never stand on the cage rails or use boxes or similar to gain extra height. And never reach too far out over the side of the cage.

Check the condition of the equipment before use. If it shows signs of damage or excessive wear, return it to your local HSS Lift & Shift Depot.

GETTING STARTED

Check the access cage plus load does not exceed 50% of the fork lifts SWL.

Ensure too that the operator is both qualified and insured to drive the lift.

If using the folding model, it will need to be set-up before attachment to the forks.

Lay the unit on a flat surface, then lift out the twin mesh panels until vertical. Raise the panels and drop into the retainer slots.

Release the clip holding the twin mesh panels together, then again raise the top panel vertical and engage in its retainer slots.