

## **Kelowna Boom Lift License**

Kelowna Boom Lift License - Only completely certified persons should operate an aerial boom lift. Qualification can be obtained through a combination of classroom sessions and practical training with the particular type of aerial lift which will be used on the job. A License is needed for any individual who works on or operates an aerial boom lift.

Vehicle-mounted aerial devices consist of the following work vehicles: aerial ladders, extensible boom platforms, articulating boom platforms, vertical towers, and whichever combination of these kinds.

There are a number of basic safety rules which apply to all boom lifts. Worker safety whilst in the basket is a top priority. Workers should have on a body harness and lanyard attached to the boom or basket. Never tie off to an adjacent pole, structure, or equipment. Employees should stand on the basket floor, and never climb or sit on the basket edge. The load limits of the manufacturer must be adhered to.

Lift operators need to be authorized to operate an aerial lift. The manufacturer's manual should be kept within the lift and the operator must know all aspects of that particular unit. Operators are responsible for making certain that safety measures are followed in operating the lift. Testing lift controls on a daily basis must be performed. Position outriggers and set brakes (if they are utilized) on pads or a stable surface. If working on a slope, make use of wheel chocks.

Never move an aerial lift truck with an elevated boom while workers are inside the basket. Articulating boom and extensible boom platforms used as personnel carriers must have plainly marked, accessible, upper controls. Except in emergency situations, lower controls must not be used to override upper controls unless the individual in the lift gives permission.

Do not wear tree or pole climbers shall while working from an aerial lift.

Do not alter the insulated part of the aerial lift.

Make sure that the booms are carefully inspected, that the equipment is properly cradled and the outriggers are in the stowed position prior to moving.

When operating a boom lift next to power lines, make sure that the lines are di-electrically tested according to local regulations.