

Telehandler / Zoom Boom

Used Telehandler United States - Telehandlers are commonly known by a variety of names such as Cherry pickers, telescopic handlers, boom lifts and teleporters. These machines are utilized in agriculture and many different industries. It is similar to a forklift and a crane as it has a boom, enabling it to extend upwards and forwards from the vehicle. 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. Often, high rooftop locations would need a crane although, telehandlers can accomplish these tasks much more efficiently. It can be expensive and impractical to rely on a crane or expansive industrial equipment to finish particular tasks. Within agriculture, the bucket or bucket grab is among the most popular attachments. 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. For instance, these industrial machines can directly access a hopper or trailer with high sides; applications that would otherwise rely on a conveyor, loading ramp or similar equipment. Having one item to complete a variety of jobs saves time, money and storage space. Telehandlers commonly work alongside a crane jib. Numerous attachments can be utilized including power booms, grain buckets, dirt buckets and rotators. Three-point linkage and power take-off can be used with agricultural models to make this machine particularly capable. Interestingly enough, the machines' main advantage is also its' biggest 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. If the machine works as a single boom loader instead of using twin arms while carrying a large load, there is a chance that weakness can occur even in the most carefully designed units. For instance, a telehandler with a five thousand pound capacity may be capable of safely lifting as little as four hundred pounds fully extended with a low boom angle with a retracted boom. Raising the same piece of equipment 70 degrees could allow this machine with a five thousand pound lift capability and retracted boom to support up to ten thousand pounds. These machines are equipped with a load chart to help outline which tasks are safely possible. These charts take the boom height, angle and weight into account. Newer telehandler models rely on computers and sensors to monitor the machine. When the telehandler limits have been surpassed, the operator is cut off and warned from supplying further control input. There are front stabilizers that can drastically enhance the machine's lifting capacity while it is stationary. A mobile crane can also use a bucket is another option consisting of a stabilized rotary joint found between upper and lower frames. There are many models of telehandlers differing in size, weight, boom designs and reach. Telehandlers fall into the compact category if the unit weighs in at 11,000 lbs. or less. A two-stage boom is a popular option for compact models whereas the three or four boom design is common for bigger machines. A low pivot boom ensures better operator visibility for transporting loads on compact units. Obviously, the compact telehandler has narrower and tinier 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. These versatile machines make the compact telehandler extremely popular. This machine can be utilized for carrying tools or as a pick and place unit. It is commonly utilized in spaces that are tight and cramped. Residential applications are common as contractors relish their useful nature with framing applications and where height restrictions come into play. These machines can facilitate internal building access. Compact telehandlers are commonly used in nurseries, landscaping, multi-story construction, building strip malls and garages, masonry, erecting steel and more. Telehandlers are employed by agri-

business and farming applications to complete many jobs. Telehandlers can be found with two and four-wheel drive and crab steering capabilities. The unit can travel over longer ranges at higher speeds with two-wheel drive, making it ideal for moving throughout job sites. The four-wheel drive models offer the ability to traverse more difficult terrain and provide a tighter turning radius. Crab steering enhances the units' maneuverability while allowing each set of wheels to move forty-five degrees to the right or left. There are a variety of cab interior options available for compact telehandlers. 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. All compact telehandler cabs are spacious to accommodate the operator as comfortable as possible. Additional options including satellite radio, air conditioning, armrests, cup holders, suspension seats and tilt steering are available. Different high-flow auxiliary hydraulics and high-pressure hydraulics run the variety of attachments. The different attachments allow the machine to be capable of many options. All of these attachments enable the machine to conduct a variety of jobs. Compact machines conduct ground-engaging jobs. It is simple to transform a compact telehandler into a mini excavator with a bucket attachment. 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 manufactured for certain compact telehandler designs for even more versatility.