

Telehandler / Zoom Boom

Used Telehandler Arkansas - Telehandlers are commonly known by a variety of names such as Cherry pickers, telescopic handlers, boom lifts and teleporters. This industrial machine is commonly used in a variety of industries and in agriculture. Similar to a crane and a forklift as it has a boom allowing it to extend forwards and upwards. 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 main telehandler attachment is the pallet forks. These attachments help the operator transport different sized loads to many locations that would be considered unreachable with a traditional 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. Of course, it isn't always affordable or practical to use secondary equipment or a crane to complete certain tasks. A bucket or bucket grab is the most popular telehandler attachment in the agricultural industry. 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. Telehandlers can directly access trailer units with high sides, hoppers or applications that would typically need a conveyor or loading ramp. Using one machine to finish numerous jobs saves storage space, money and time. Telehandler units often work together with a crane jib. Various attachments may be used including rotators, dirt buckets, grain buckets and power booms. The agricultural models can use three-point linkage and power take-off to make telehandlers multi-tasking. However, the main advantage of the telehandler is additionally its' largest limitation. The boom raises or extends with heavy loads, acting as a lever. Despite significant counterweights in the rear, the telehandler can be subject to instability at times, decreasing the lifting capacity as the working radius or distance between the center of the load and the front of the wheels increases. When a telehandler functions as a single boom loader (as opposed to twin arms) and carrying a heavy load, there can be a potential for weakness even in the best designs. A 5000 lb. capacity telehandler could lift 400 lbs. safely while fully extended with a retracted boom in conjunction with a low boom angle. 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. There is a load chart on these machines to determine which tasks can be safely executed by taking the weight, angle and boom height into account. Newer telehandler models rely on computers and sensors to monitor the machine. The operator is warned and even cut off further control input once the limits of the telehandler are surpassed. The lifting capacity is enhanced by front stabilizers that maximize the lifting capacity from a stationary position. 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. The compact model showcases a low pivot boom to allow better cab visibility for the operator while transporting loads. Obviously, the compact telehandler has narrower and tinier dimensions. Compact telehandlers have a reach capacity ranging between 13 to 20 feet with a lift capacity ranging from 5k to 7k pounds. These versatile machines make the compact telehandler extremely popular. Telehandlers can function as a pick and place unit or a tool carrier. Compact units are ideal for cramped locations. It is common for contractors to use this machine during framing and for residential jobs where there are height restrictions. These machines can facilitate internal building access. Compact units are popular in multi-story construction, nurseries, strip malls, landscaping, masonry, garage facilities and erecting steel among other applications. Telehandlers are employed by agri-business and farming applications to complete many jobs. Telehandlers come with crab steering or two or four-wheel drive options. This machine can traverse longer distances with two-wheel drive at higher speeds to facilitate easy

travel between worksites. The 4-WD units are capable of having a tighter turning radius and can travel difficult terrain. Crab steering increases overall maneuvering and enables the front and back wheels to move 45 degrees to the left or the right. There are a variety of cab interior options available for compact telehandlers. There is a rollover protective cage to enhance safety on less expensive models. Higher-end models are equipped with a fully enclosed cab, a heater, windshield wiper and defroster. 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. The numerous attachment options are facilitated with high-pressure and high-flow auxiliary hydraulics. These attachments increase the functions the machine is capable of. Compact machines conduct ground-engaging jobs. It is easy to enjoy the benefits of a mini excavator by adding a simple bucket attachment to the telehandler. 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 options are made for compact telehandler designs and ultimate versatility.