

## Operating a Powered Industrial Truck

### When Operating a Powered Industrial Truck (Forklift):

- Adhere to all posted plant speed limits
- Drive only in designated areas
- Do not attempt to pass other forklifts traveling in the same direction
- Check your blind spot for hidden dangers
- Keep a clear view of your path of travel

### Rules of the Road

- Slow down when approaching a cross aisle, or any area where your vision is obstructed
- Sound the horn before crossing any intersection to warn potential passersby
- Ascend and descend grades very slowly
- Slow down whenever you encounter a wet or slippery floor
- Do not run over loose objects in the roadway
- When turning — reduce speed and turn the steering wheel with a smooth, sweeping motion

### Load Safety

- Carry only stable loads
- Use extreme caution when transporting a load that must be carried off-center
- Know the limits of the forklift and carry only items within these limits

### Fueling Gas Powered Industrial Trucks

- Turn off the engine when filling tanks
- Avoid spillage
- Replace the fuel tank cap before restarting the engine
- Never use an open flame to check electrolyte levels in storage batteries or gasoline levels in fuel tanks
- If there is a leak in the fuel system, remove the forklift from service and have it repaired immediately