

STANDARDS AUSTRALIA

Amendment No. 1
to
AS 2550.10—2006
Cranes, hoists and winches—Safe use
Part 10: Mobile elevating work platforms

REVISED TEXT

The 2006 edition of AS 2550.10 is amended as follows; the amendments should be inserted in the appropriate places.

SUMMARY: This Amendment applies to Clauses 1.1, 5.7, 5.15 and 6.4.4.2.

Published on 14 April 2009.

AMDT
No. 1
APR
2009

Clause 1.1

Add the following new paragraph at end of Clause:

‘This Standard does not apply to the operation of firefighting equipment’.

AMDT
No. 1
APR
2009

Clause 5.7

Insert the following before the first paragraph (new subclause added and existing text redesignated 5.7.2):

‘5.7.1 Loading and unloading from vehicles’

When a MEWP is loaded onto or unloaded from a vehicle, the following precautions shall be taken:

- (a) Steps shall be taken to prevent unauthorized access to the unloading area.
- (b) The boom of a boom type MEWP shall be loaded with the boom retracted and lowered as far as practicable but shall not obscure clear view of the wheels of the MEWP.
- (c) The maximum gradient of loading ramps, tilt trays or a slide bed shall not exceed the rated gradeability of the MEWP. Otherwise the MEWP shall be loaded onto the vehicle using a winch.

NOTE: For the purpose of loading and unloading only, a fall restraint system, comprising a lanyard and belt, may be used, provided the lanyard length is such that the operator is restrained within the platform at all times.

‘5.7.2 Securing for transport’

Clause 5.15

- 1 In fifth line. *Change* 'e.g., catapult effect, is eliminated.' to 'e.g., catapult effect is controlled.'
- 2 *Delete* the last note of the Clause and *replace* with the following:

NOTES:

- 1 It is strongly recommended that persons using fall arrest systems not work alone. Where it is necessary that persons work alone, a monitoring program should be implemented to ensure they have not fallen. In the event of a fall, it is vital that the person be rescued as soon as possible, even if uninjured. This is necessary as a suspended person may suffer suspension trauma, as explained in Appendix B.
- 2 A fall arrest system should be selected having regard to the work to be performed, the environment, as well as the potential fall height and platform size. Lanyards should be maintained as short as possible to minimize the risk of ejection or tripping.

Clause 6.4.4.2

Replace the first sentence of Clause 6.4.4.2 with the following:

After the first 5 years of service, and each and every year thereafter, periodic inspections shall be structured to ensure all critical components are inspected, and tested where appropriate, within a 5 year period, until the MEWP is scrapped or decommissioned.
