

Instructions for safe use:

# 2111 – Fork extensions

## Safety First:

The following instructions must be read and understood by each intended user of this equipment; if there is anything you do not understand contact Eichinger Equipment Ltd

Ensure the equipment is adequate for the job you need to carry out.

You must not operate this equipment if you are under the influence of alcohol, drugs or if you are feeling unwell.

A risk assessment should be carried out prior to moving or using this equipment.

The following PPE (Personal protective equipment should be worn when using this equipment:

Gloves / Goggles / Hard Hat / Steel Toecap boots / Hi-Vis Vest

We also suggest suitable clothing should be worn.

**Familiarise yourself with the equipment, its use and how it works!**

As this equipment is used at multi - level, ensure the intended area for use is clear of overhead cables and power lines or similar hazards which may affect its safe use. **This equipment must always be used in conjunction with your site safety policies!**

## Using the equipment:

Set the forklift's forks to the required working width.

Approach the fork extensions with the forklift and line the forks up with the extensions. Detach the heel pin from the extensions and then insert the forks into the extensions ensuring they are mounted as far back on the forks as possible.

Re-attach the heel pin of each extension ensuring the assembly goes behind the heel of the fork and so securing both extension to the fork lift.

The forklift extension forks are designed to lift and move loads in a safe manner. Always ensure that the load does not exceed the universally distributed load rating on the extensions and DO NOT drag the load as this will put undue stress on the heel pins.

Once the heel pins have been replaced and the extensions are secure drive the forklift to the intended load. Enter the load ensuring that it is as far onto the extensions and as close to the forklift carriage as possible.

Now raise the load and check that it is balanced and secure. Once all is okay move the load to the desired location in a smooth and safe manner ensuring that you do not jolt. Now lower the load until grounded. Reverse the fork lift out of the load until the fork extensions are completely clear.

Once the last load has been moved and the operator is finished with the extensions, lower the forks to the ground and release the heel pins. Reverse the forklift out of the extensions then replace the heel pins ensuring they are available for the next use.

Once the forklift has been moved away the fork extensions can be moved to their storage location.

## Preparation:

The work area must be clear of obstructions with adequate space for the operative to work safely around the equipment.

Check and ensure the equipment is inspected and in a safe condition prior to its use. Also ensure that its load is stable and secure.

**Always ensure the fork extensions are used in conjunction with the load ratings for your forklift truck!**

