

# Forklift



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Lee College has designed a comprehensive Forklift Operator training program that complies with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), to help you launch a career with unlimited growth!

Forklifts, also known as power industrial trucks, are vital tools used to lift and transport cargo in construction and a variety of other industries. OSHA requires employers to ensure that all operators are forklift-certified through formal instruction, practical training, and a performance evaluation.

Forklift certification ensures that you have the skills and knowledge required to operate a forklift in your workplace. The first step is the successful completion of a forklift operation course. Offered online, in-person, and on-site, there is a forklift course for everyone!

The course costs \$495. Students should complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid ([FAFSA](#)), which can cover 75% of the costs, if approved.

The Gulf Coast region is a top distribution area for many industries with a strong demand for forklift operators. Take the first step to a successful career.

**Potential Annual Salary: \$30,000-\$49,000**

## Who Needs OSHA Forklift Training?

This training is designed for workers seeking OSHA-accepted forklift driver certification. To legally operate this machinery, you must be at least 18 years old.

## Learning Objectives for OSHA Forklift Certification

After completing the forklift driver certification course, you will be prepared to:

- Name the appropriate uses for different types of forklifts
- Explain the importance of forklift stability
- Describe operational procedures for forklifts, including load handling
- Prevent forklift accidents through safety procedures and practices
- State the importance of regular forklift inspections and maintenance
- List OSHA and government resources that support worker safety

## What Will I Learn?

### Forklift Safety

- Parts of a Forklift
- Classification of Powered Industrial Trucks
- Pre-Shift Forklift Inspection Checklist

### Traveling & Maneuvering

- Proper Mounting and Dismounting of a Forklift
- Traffic Signs
- Negotiating Ramps and Terrain
- Driving Forward and in Reverse
- Tip-Over Hazards

### Load Handling

- Determining Load Center
- Mast & fork Position
- Loading/Unloading Trucks and Railcars
- Dock Plates

## What Can I Do with This Course of Study

Entry-level position in warehouse or manufacturing facility

## Program/Course Designation

CNSE 1003 — Forklift Operator Certification

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