Floor Cranes – General Safety Instructions

There is a serious risk of personal injury if you do not follow all instructions laid down in this guide.

This equipment is designed to be used by an able bodied, competent adult who has read and understood these instructions. Anyone with either a temporary or permanent disability, should seek expert advice before using it.

Keep children, animals and bystanders away from the work area.

Never use this equipment if you are ill, feeling tired, or under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Wear practical, protective clothing, gloves, footwear and a protective hard hat. Avoid loose garments and jewellery that could catch in moving parts, tie back long hair.

Ensure the load is balanced and stable also that personnel stand clear of the raised load.

Make sure you know how to operate this equipment safely and are aware of its limitations before use.

It is both the hirers and the operators responsibility to perform a risk assessment before using this equipment. You are also responsible for the safety of anyone in the work area.

Make sure that anyone in the immediate work area are aware of what you are doing. Never allow anyone under a raised load or in a position where they are at risk if the load shifts.

Use the equipment only on a hard, level surface such as concrete.

After raising the load to the required height, always lower in onto suitable permanent supports before working on it or leaving it.

Floor cranes are designed to lift, not support. Never leave them loaded for longer than necessary, and never leave them loaded and unattended.

Working on a load which is merely supported by a floor crane can be extremely dangerous.

Check the condition of the equipment before use.