

Powered Industrial Truck Operator Training – Written Proficiency Test

Student's Name:

Date:

	True	False
1. Only authorized and trained employees or their supervisors can operate a forklift	☐	☐
2. Operators are required to inspect their forklift prior to use	☐	☐
3. Riders are allowed on a forklift if they are strapped in	☐	☐
4. Travel with your load high enough to see under it	☐	☐
5. Pedestrians have the right of way, except when the forklift driver is in a hurry	☐	☐
6. Always look over both shoulders before backing up	☐	☐
7. If your vision is obstructed when traveling with a load, travel in reverse	☐	☐
8. You only need to obey traffic rules and signs when people are around	☐	☐
9. A forklift is less stable when the mast is raised during load stacking and unstacking	☐	☐
10. Forklift repairs should be made whenever you get a break from work	☐	☐
11. Forks should be inserted into the pallet at least three quarters of the way	☐	☐
12. The rated capacity will not be affected by the use of special load attachments	☐	☐
13. Always check the mast for cracked or broken welds	☐	☐
14. Always drive strait-on when driving over railroad tracks	☐	☐
15. A forklift's rated capacity is located on the manufacturer's ID plate	☐	☐
16. Allow at least one forklift length when driving behind another vehicle	☐	☐
17. Five miles an hour is always a safe driving speed	☐	☐
18. Industrial areas/warehouses can have low overhead clearances	☐	☐
19. When you are working in a trailer, you should use dock lights or headlights	☐	☐
20. A lateral tip-over is usually caused by driving over trash or carrying a load too high	☐	☐
21. When carrying a load, you drive down a ramp forks first	☐	☐
22. The front wheels steer a forklift	☐	☐
23. When turning into an aisle, steer wide	☐	☐
24. Turning off the engine is all you need to do when leaving a forklift unattended	☐	☐
25. When traveling with a load, keep the forks approximately six inches off the surface	☐	☐
26. The only check that a battery needs is for cracks or holes	☐	☐
27. Forklifts are powered by battery, gasoline, diesel or propane	☐	☐
28. Pre-use inspections should require that each hydraulic line be checked	☐	☐
29. The forklift should always be started at the beginning of a pre-inspection	☐	☐
30. If the mast height must be adjusted, only lower the mast when in forward motion	☐	☐
31. When setting down your load, start leveling forks before reaching your destination	☐	☐
32. After picking up a load, the forklift will be more stable if the mast is tilted forward	☐	☐
33. Before pre-inspection it is OK to lift a heavy object to check the lift cylinders	☐	☐
34. If a tire is not flat, assume the vehicle is useable	☐	☐
35. When loading a trailer with a forklift that is too heavy, use more trailer supports	☐	☐
36. Drive at a steady speed to avoid slipping and skidding on bridge plates	☐	☐
37. Forklift tires are engineered to prevent skidding, slipping and sliding	☐	☐
38. Propane tanks should be checked for leaks and for secure valves and nozzles	☐	☐
39. Inadequately trained spotters have been caught between fixed objects and forklifts	☐	☐