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**1. Introduction:**

1.1 Mobile Elevated Work Platforms are useful pieces of plant when used properly. However, they are extremely dangerous if not used correctly.

**2. Main Points:**

- 2.1 Ensure the correct load capacity for the task (ground, height, SWL etc).
- 2.2 Only suitably trained operators should use MEWP's (and must be trained for that specific item of plant).
- 2.3 Continually monitor the stability of the platform.

**3. Points to remember**

- 3.1 Assess ground conditions before use (could result in MEWP overturning).
- 3.2 Check for overhead power lines (overhead power lines) and avoid them.
- 3.3 Beware of collision with other plant, equipment, scaffold etc. Be particularly aware when working in narrow paths and streets. Remember to allow for boom, arcs etc.
- 3.4 Always check that the platform is level. Deploy stabilisers, outriggers etc as recommended.
- 3.5 Any tools, materials etc should be secured so far as is reasonably practical to prevent them falling from the edge.
- 3.6 It is recommended that operators wear safety harnesses as secondary fall protection.
- 3.7 Never exceed Safe Working Load.
- 3.8 When manoeuvring in public rights of way ensure a competent person is present.
- 3.9 Consider refuelling in a safe area. Refuelling should take place in the open air where possible. The engine must be switched off.
- 3.10 Any diesel spillages should be cleaned up immediately.

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