## **Ottawa Bucket Truck Training**

Ottawa Bucket Truck Training - The bucket truck training program is a program which is intended to effectively train qualified operators so they could lessen the possibility of personal injury and incident when working with or in close proximity to bucket trucks or vehicle-mounted aerial work platform. An aerial lift device refers to whatever vehicle-mounted device, articulating or telescoping, or both, that is used to position employees to reach spots that will otherwise be not accessible. Aerial lift devices are utilized to be able to elevate personnel to above-ground work locations.

The program aims to provide operators with the skills, knowledge, training materials and abilities needed to be able to safely and efficiently operate vehicle-mounted aerial work platforms.

The program comprises a classroom training session and a hands-on training session. To become certified, participants must be successful in both parts. A full-size certificate and a wallet-size certificate will be issued upon completing the program.

Kinds of lifts include articulating boom platforms, extensible boom platforms, aerial ladders and aerial ladder trucks, vertical towers and any combination of these devices. Aerial lift devices are normally constructed with wood, metal, reinforced plastic, fiberglass or other materials.

## **Definitions**

Articulating boom platform: multiple hinged boom sections.

Extensible boom platform: has either a telescopic boom or an extensible boom.

Platform: part of the aerial device which is designed to carry workers.

Mobile unit: a combination of aerial devices, including its vehicle and related machinery.

Workers who work with aerial devices have the responsibility of making sure that they are correctly trained and authorized. Workers must make sure that individuals who are not trained and authorized do not utilize lift devices. Workers should make sure that they wear the correct protective equipment if working from the platform.

Course content comprises operating the vehicle-mounted aerial work platform, pre-shift inspection, safe operating practices, lifting capacity, use of emergency controls, and administering theory and practical tests. Operators will be familiar with rules under the federal and local regulations.