## **Ottawa Manlift Certification**

Ottawa Manlift Certification - The Elevated Platforms and Manlifts Certification course helps to provide the necessary training on the work practices, safe operating procedures, rules and regulations regarding the daily activities for the operators of this equipment. The program has been designed for individuals who are actively involved in these activities or individuals who have a basic understanding of this machinery.

Aerial platforms and manlifts have become integral and common equipment in industrial settings over the last few decades. These machinery provide an easy way to lift employees near what must be carried out on a stable platform apparatus, allowing workers to do tasks with greater comfort and safety rather than being perched on top of ladders or scaffoldings.

Like every other tool, manlifts are only safe when they are used correctly. Because they elevate staff above floor or ground level, accidents could easily occur and this could lead to serious fatalities or injuries for both the manlift operators and any passerby who may not be lucky enough to be standing underneath.

Manlifts come in different kinds. Nearly all fit into 1 or 2 categories: the scissor lift, which is capable of moving upward and downward and the articulating boom lift, which can move both vertically and horizontally.

## **Protecting Workers**

It is very important to offer right training for you operators. Many businesses which rent these machinery would provide on site training. Each worker who will be working on the equipment or operating it should receive training in safe operations. It is also important that just those workers who have received training should be authorized to operate the controls. Communication rules and operating procedures must be clear. Therefore, employees on the ground must not operate controls without the knowledge and approval of any employees in the basket.

The employees that occupy the basket will be required to wear the proper fall protection gear that comprises a lanyard and harness. The fall protection connects to the manlift easily. The worker must ensure that he or she has made whatever adjustments needed to reflect the change in fall distance if the height of the work area changes.

Manlifts should be tested and inspected each day to make certain they are in safe operating condition. Prior to utilizing the equipment, whatever defects must be re-inspected and fixed.