



# Installation Instructions

## General Fork Installation

This manual describes the installation of forks for Rotating, Sideshifting, and Fork Positioning attachments. Middle hooks must be properly welded prior to installation on rotators. Refer to the following securing procedures for driver safety and prevent load or equipment damage.

**Fork Locks** – After moving or installing forks on the sideshifter, rotator, or truck carriage, it is very important that the **fork locks be fully engaged** into locating notches. When loads are handled with side loading conditions, or other non-recommended uses or practices, excessive upper carriage bar notch wear may result on Cascade sideshifters.

**NOTE:** Non-recommended practices are those not adhering to safety standards of the local regulatory body.

If you are experiencing rapid carriage notch wear with a Cascade attachment, contact Cascade Customer Service.

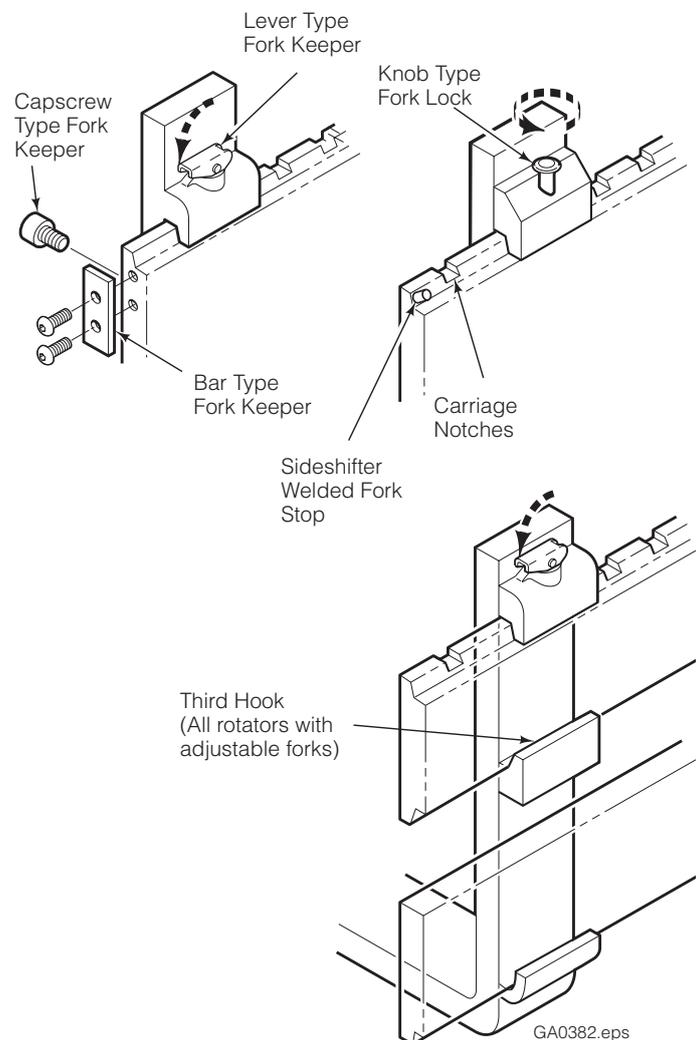
**Preventive Inspection & Maintenance** – To improve safety and efficiency when using forks, make sure the following preventive inspection and maintenance is performed by trained personnel:

- 1 Inspect the condition of the upper carriage bar notches during the next normal truck maintenance or service period. Perform weld repairs on the carriage bars as necessary. Use wear gauge part no. 209508 (Class II), 209507 (Class III) or 6105257 (Class IV) to inspect for carriage bar.
- 2 Inspect on a daily basis the condition of the upper carriage bar notches and the fork locking mechanism. Replace any damaged parts.
- 3 Make sure that fork locking pins are fully engaged in the upper carriage bar notches at all times during use. Push on the fork heel to confirm that the fork does not disengage from the carriage.
- 4 Make sure that fork stops are in place and functional.
- 5 A third hook is always required on adjustable forks mounted on rotators.
- 6 Inspect forks for fork wear, at a minimum, every 12 months (single shift operations) with fork calipers (part no. 7004851) or fork inspection safety kit (part no. 3014162). Inspect forks as outlined in "Periodic Maintenance" section, page 8.

**NOTE:** Adjust inspection period for multiple shifts.



**WARNING:** Fork locks must be properly engaged in a carriage notch for safe operation. Improper engagement may result in the fork moving on the carriage and/or excessive wear to the carriage notch. Worn upper carriage bar slots may allow fork locks to become disengaged from the notch (locked position) during use, resulting in injury or equipment damage.



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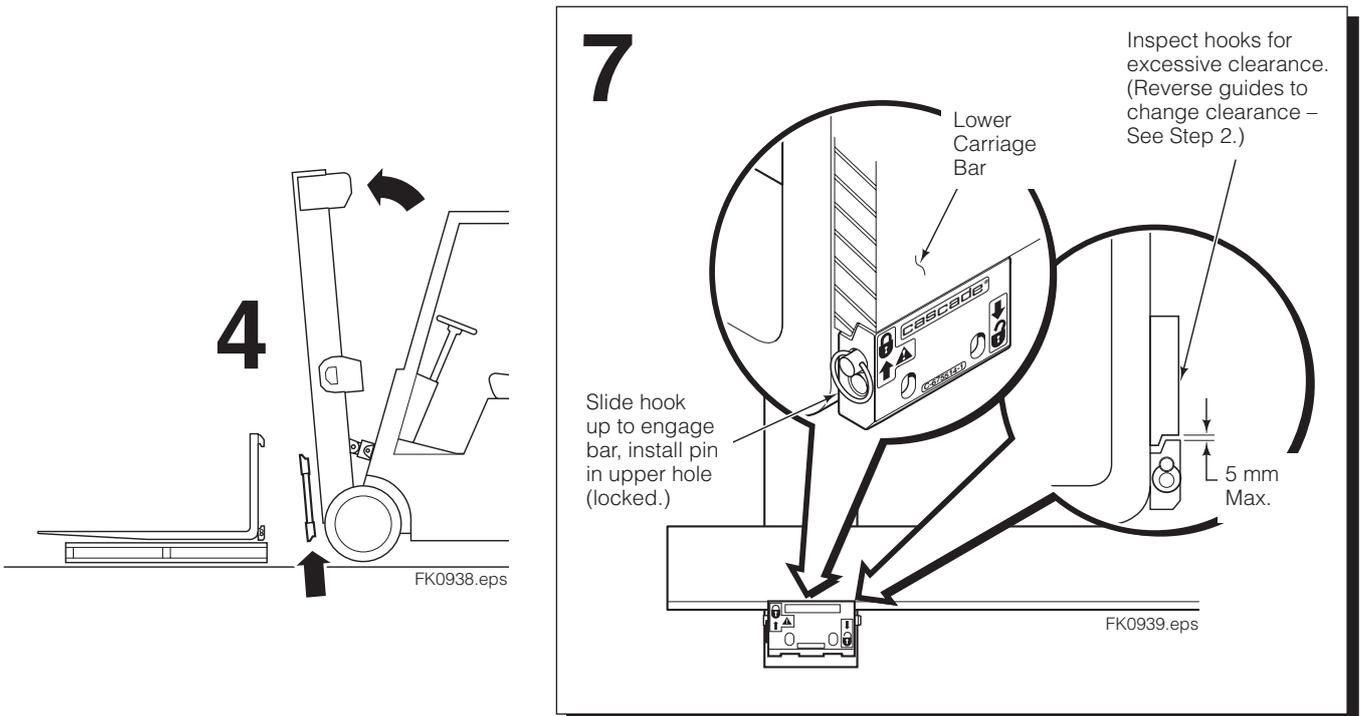
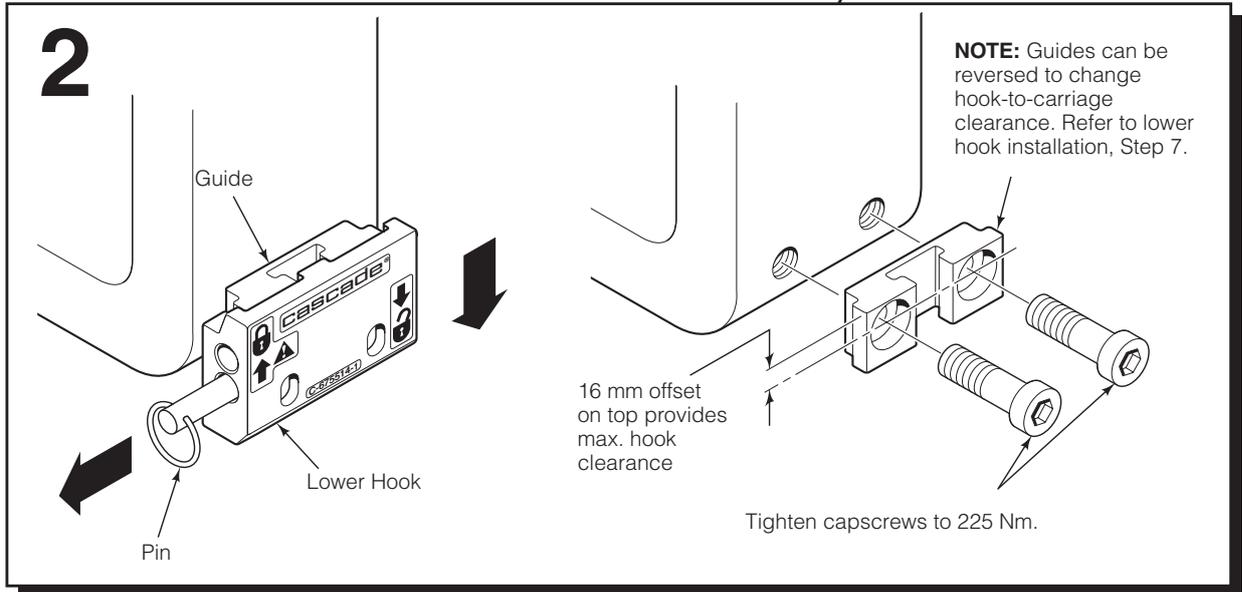
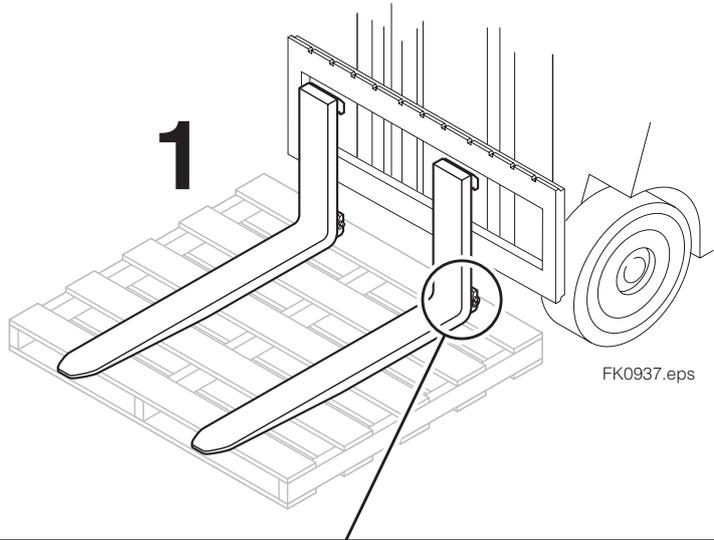
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## Quick Disconnect Fork Installation

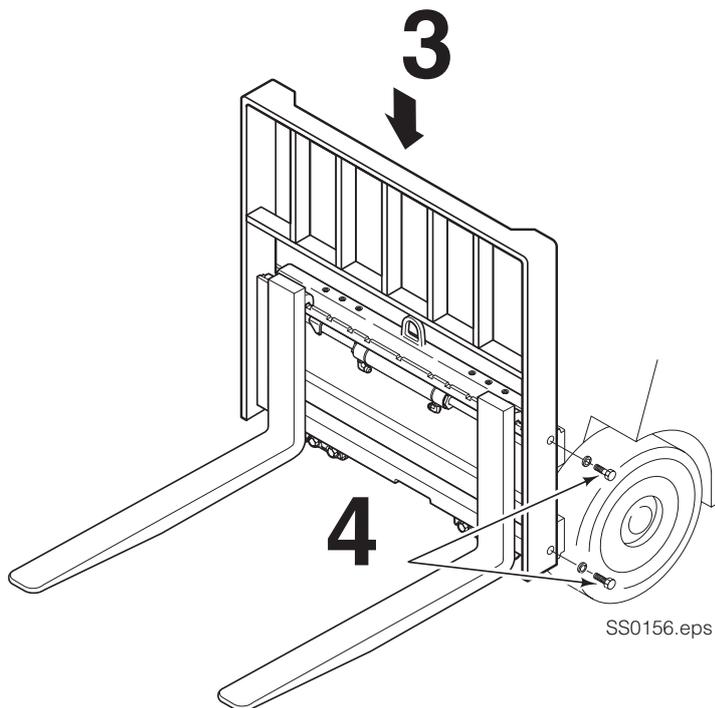
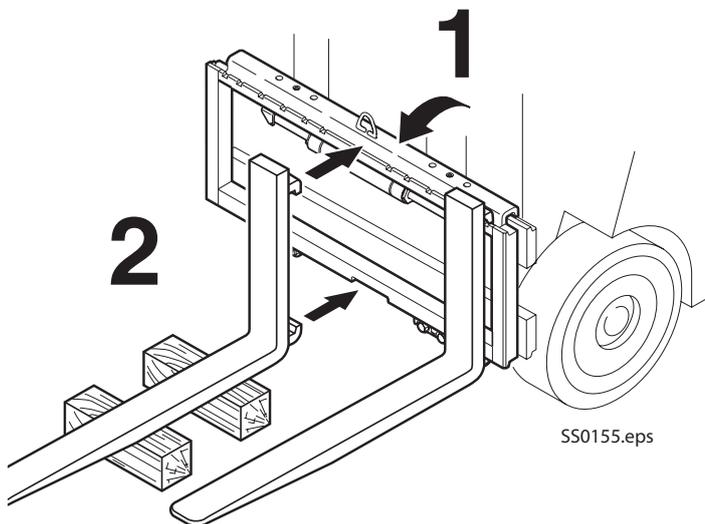
- 1 Position forks on a pallet or blocks.
- 2 Unlock Quick-Change lower hooks. Pull pin. Move hooks into unlocked position.
- 3 Center truck behind the forks.
- 4 Tilt mast forward and raise the carriage into position.
- 5 Engage upper hook of each fork.
- 6 Lift forks 5 cm off pallet.
- 7 Engage lower hook for each fork. Slide hook up to engage bar, install pin in locked position (upper hole).



## Sideshifter and Standard Fork Installation

- 1 Tilt carriage to vertical.
- 2 Place forks on blocks at carriage height for ease of installation. Install fork through fork loading slot.
- 3 Install Cascade backrest if provided.
- 4 Tighten capscrews to 195 Nm. For other backrests, refer to OEM recommendations.

 **WARNING:** If the fork locking pin is not fully engaged, the fork could become disengaged from the carriage.



# Fork Positioner Fork Installation

For complete installation instructions, refer to one of the following manuals:

F-Series Fork Positioner Installation Instructions,  
Part no. 207363

K-Series Fork Positioner User Manual, Part no. 6045671

L-Series Fork Positioner User Manual, Part no. 68144594

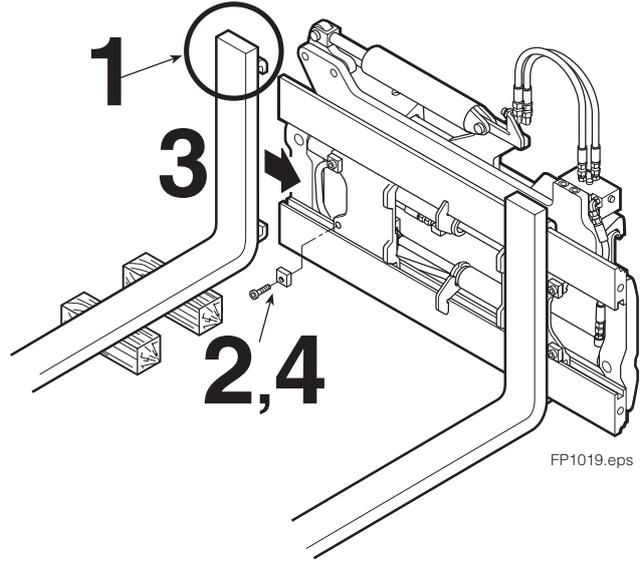
**NOTE:** Manuals are available at [www.cascorp.com](http://www.cascorp.com) under the support tab, "Technical Support Manuals" link.



**WARNING:** Customer supplied forks must have the fork lock pins removed for proper operation on the fork positioner. If the forks are removed to be used in Non-Fork Positioner applications, the fork lock pins must be reinstalled.

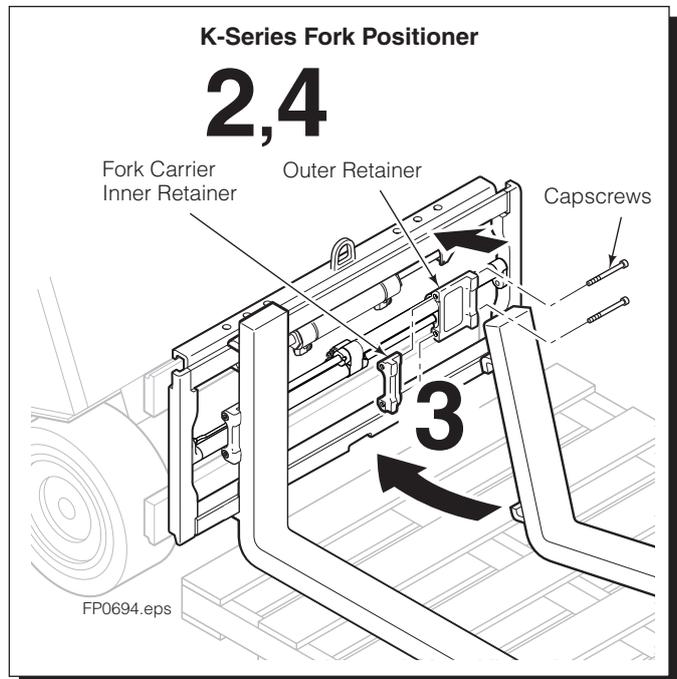
- 1 Remove fork lock pins.
- 2 Remove fork blocks (F-Series), fork carrier retainers (K-Series) or for carrier stops and retainers (L-Series).
- 3 Install forks as follows:
  - F-Series** – Slide forks into position.
  - K & L-Series** – Install forks using a pallet or blocks. Keep feet clear of forks.
- 4 Install fork block or retainers as follows:
  - F-Series** – Adjust blocks to provide 1.5 mm clearance with side of fork. Tighten capscrew to a torque of:
    - 55F – 80 Nm
    - 100F/120F – 160 Nm
  - K-Series** – Reinstall fork carrier inner retainers and tighten capscrews to:
    - 55K/65K – 35 Nm
    - 100K-165K – 65 Nm
  - L-Series** – Reinstall retainer, its hardware and inner carrier fork stop capscrew with washers. Tighten capscrews to 100 Nm.
- 5 Install Cascade backrest, if equipped. Tighten capscrews to 195 Nm. For other backrests, see OEM recommendations.

## F-Series Fork Positioner



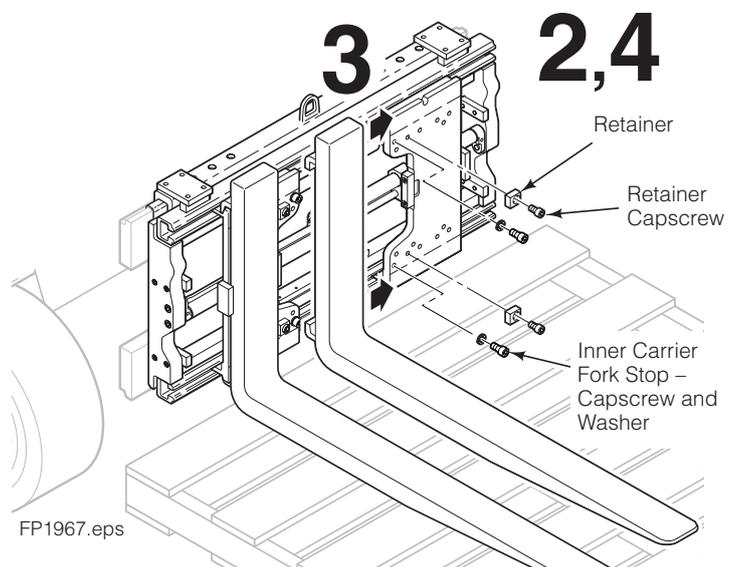
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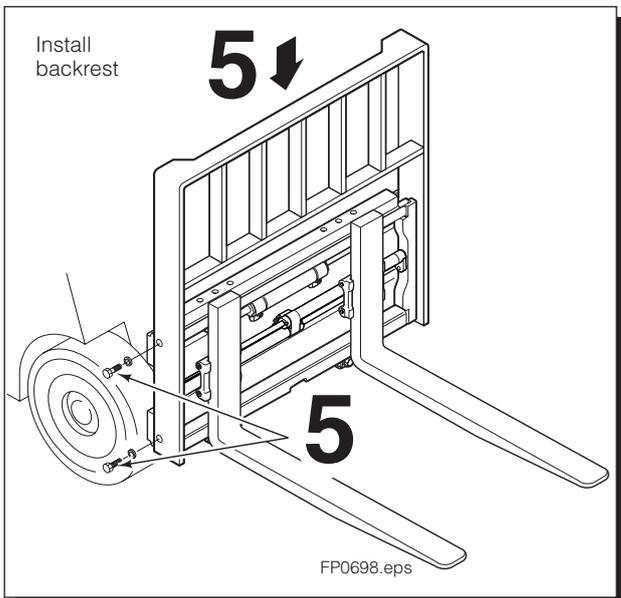


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## L-Series Fork Positioner



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## Rotator Fork Installation

Make sure forks are rated for the loads being handled. Fork size chosen may reduce rotator rating. Refer to the attachment's installation instructions.

D-Series Rotator Installation Instructions, Part no. 672327  
G-Series Rotator Installation Instructions, Part no. 6073002

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**WARNING:** Forks must have **three hooks**. Cascade forks for rotators are already equipped with a middle hook. If the rotator is supplied without forks, middle hooks are provided.

- 1 Rotate the carriage to the horizontal position. Remove the fork keepers from the upper fork carriage bar.
- 2 Release the spring locks on top of the forks.
- 3 Slide the forks into position on the fork carriage bars.  
**NOTE:** If either the fork middle or lower hook clearance is too tight against carriage bar, sand or grind the hook tip. Do not exceed dimension **A** as shown in chart on page 5. Do not grind on upper hook.
- 4 Lock each fork in place by pushing the spring lock lever down or twisting the knob down. Shake forks to make sure the pin is fully engaged in a fork bar notch.
- 5 Reinstall the keepers. Tighten the capscrews to a torque of:

**Capscrew Type:**  
**30G-100G – 270 Nm**

**Bar Type:**  
**D-Series – 80 Nm**  
**45G-65G – 90 Nm**

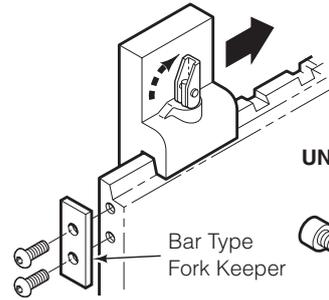
Apply Loctite 242 (blue) to Bar Type capscrews. Threaded holes must be clean and dry before reassembly.

- 6 Reverse the above procedures for removal.

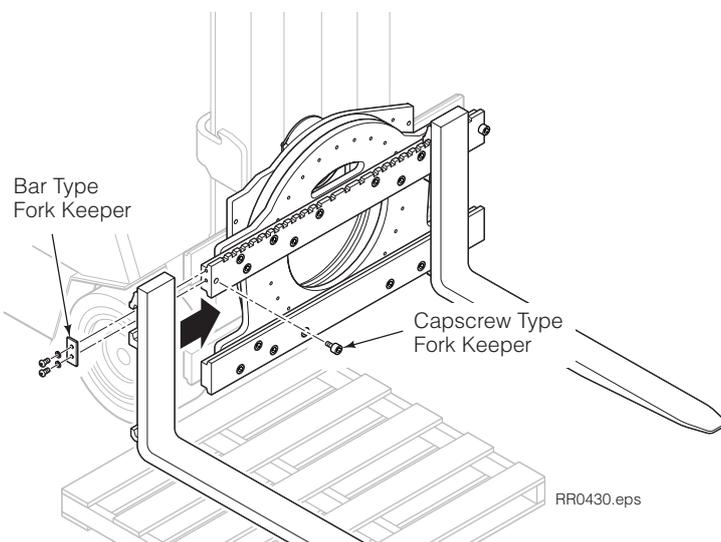
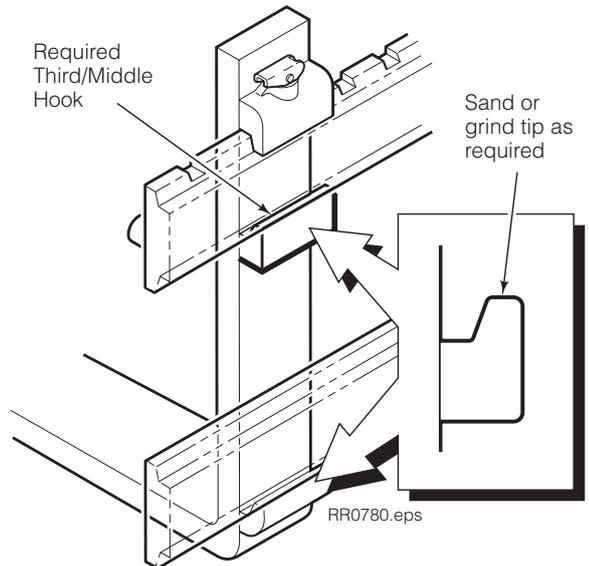
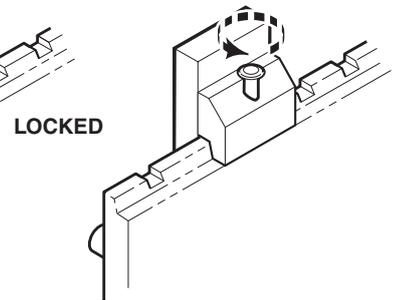
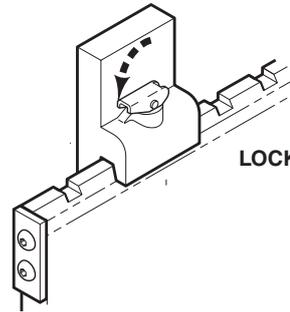
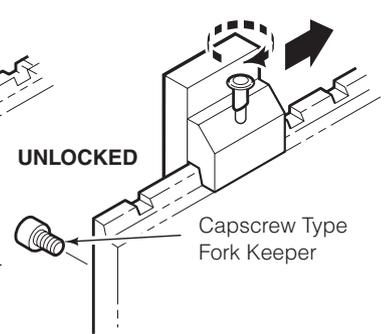


**WARNING:** When installing or removing forks, rotate carriage to **horizontal position**. Use pallets or blocks to raise forks to installation height. Keep feet clear of forks when installing. **Fork keepers must be in place at all times during rotator operation.**

**Lever Type Fork Lock**



**Knob Type Fork Lock**



## Fork Middle Hooks



**WARNING:** Rotator forks must have three hooks. Cascade forks for rotators are equipped with a middle hook. If the rotator is supplied without forks, middle hooks are provided. They must be welded using the following procedures.

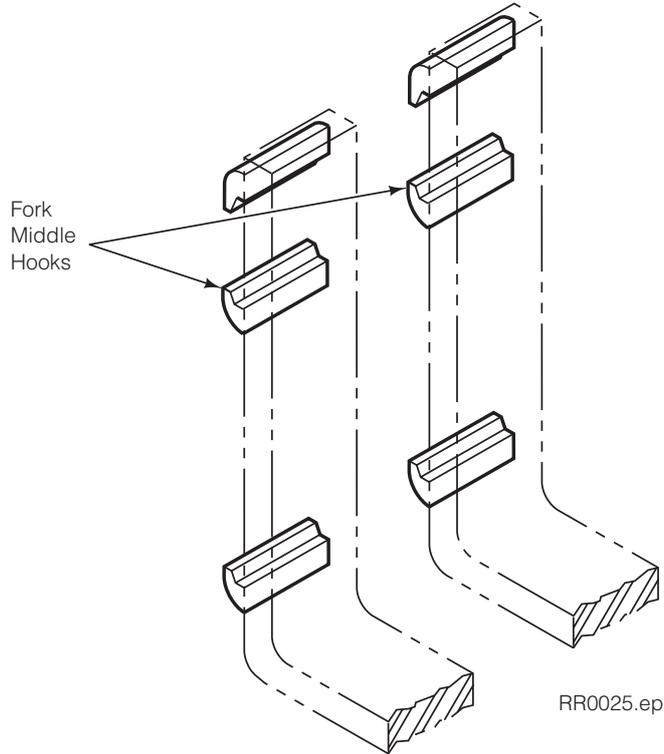
Middle hooks on forks are required for rotating attachments. Location dimensions and welding specifications are provided. The following middle hooks are available:

Fork	Middle Hook Part No.
Class II	689279
Class III	689281
Class IV	633671

Forks must be rated for the loads being handled.



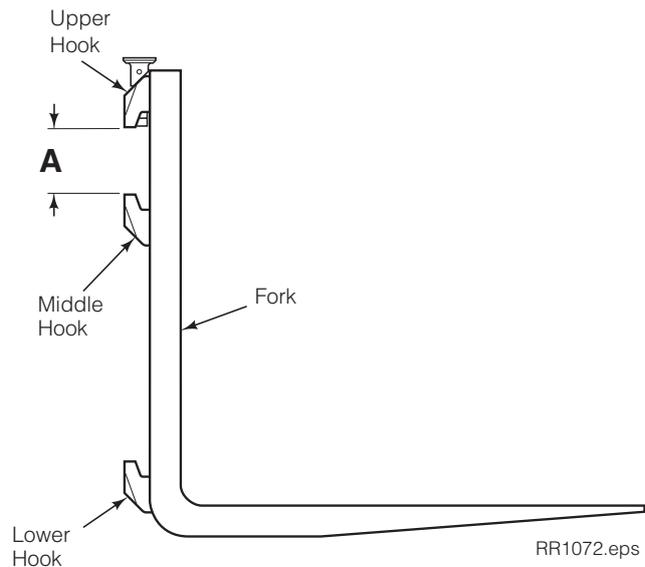
**WARNING:** Fork size affects rotator capacity. Consult the Cascade attachment's installation manual. Verify capacity for truck nameplate.



## Fork Preparation

- 1 Clean all surfaces to be welded. Remove paint, oil, grease and other contaminants.
- 2 Position the middle hook referring to dimension **A**. Mark the hook position on the fork.
- 3 Tack the hook in four places with 6 mm long welds. Recheck dimensions.

Rotator Model	Hook Spacing Dimension 'A'
30E, 40D, 55D	128.5 +1.5, 0 mm
65D, 85D, 100D, 120D	148.5 +1.5, -0 mm
150D, 200D	216.0 +1.5, -0 mm
30G, 40G, 45G, 55G	77.5 +1.5, -0 mm
65G	91.5 +1.5, -0 mm
80G	119.5 +1.5, -0 mm
100G	148.5 +1.5, -0 mm



## Welding Specifications

- 1** Preheat weld area (full fork width and 152 mm (above and below hook) to 260° C minimum, 315° C maximum before welding. Maximum interpass temperature should not exceed 370° C.
- 2** Finish weld middle hook to fork. Apply welds in the hook weld prep areas using the lower hook as an example of the welds required. Note the dimension **B** no weld area. Use the following weld method:  
  
Attach ground clamp to the fork upright. Weld using FCAW (Flux Core Arc Welding). AWS E100T1-K3 electrode, 1.5 mm diameter with 100% CO<sub>2</sub> or 75% Ar/25% CO<sub>2</sub> @ 30-45 CFH. Apply fillet and groove welds using stringer bead technique. Minimum weld pass width 6.3 mm, maximum weld pass thickness 12.5 mm. DCRP welding current, 230-300 amps, 29-31 volts. Travel speed 8-12 IPM. Completely remove slag between passes. Slow cool, by covering with insulating blanket, to 65° C.
- 3** Inspect welds. No undercut, overlap, cracks of any kind (including crater crackers) or porosity.
- 4** Clean weld area and repaint.

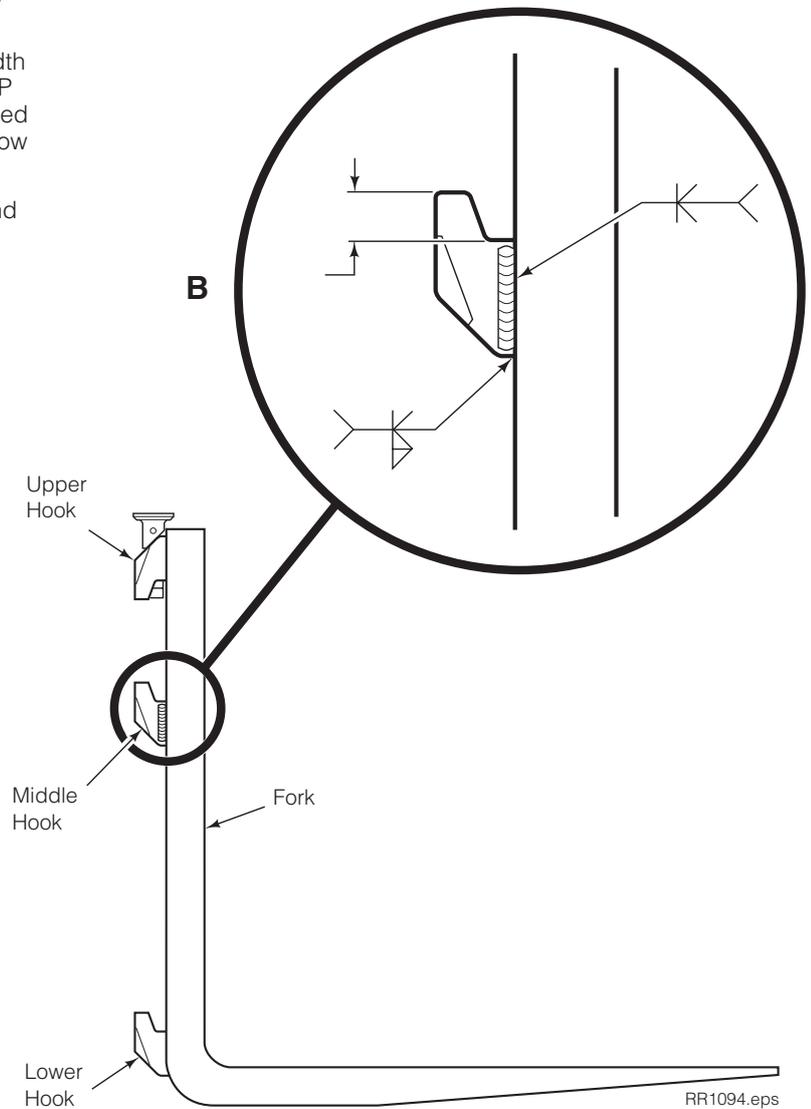
Rotator Model	No-Weld Dimension 'B'
30E, 40D, 55D	14 mm
65D, 80D, 100D, 120D	16 mm
150D, 200D	22 mm
30G, 40G, 45G, 55G	14 mm
65G	16 mm
80G	12 mm
100G	16 mm

Reference: (D-Series) S-7295, S-2978, S-2224, 346114.  
(G-Series) S-22588, S-22566, S-22567.



**WARNING:** Applications that hold a load inverted, with a 50% or more capacity, must use Cascade rotator forks.

Applications that dump a load when rotator is rotated at 45° from vertical, can use pallet forks with the installed middle hook.



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## How To Check Fork Hook & Carriage Bar Wear

**NOTE:** Cascade fork safety kit 3014162 contains wear calipers (7004851), inspection sheets and safety poster. Also available, fork hook & carriage bar wear gauges: 209560 (Class II), 209561 (Class III) and 6105257 (Class IV).

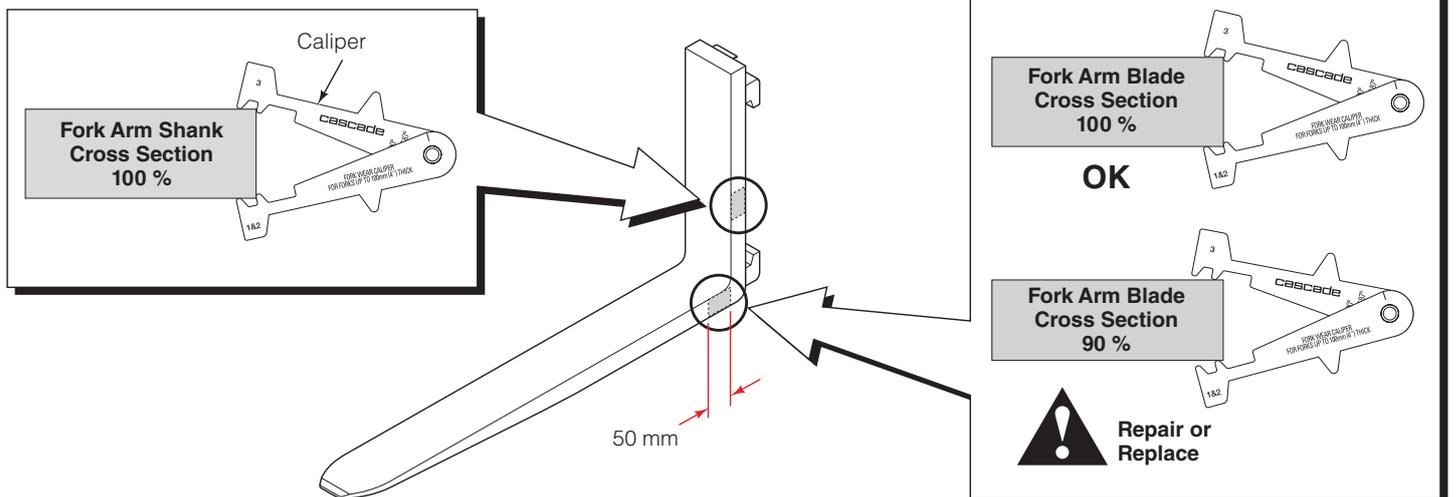
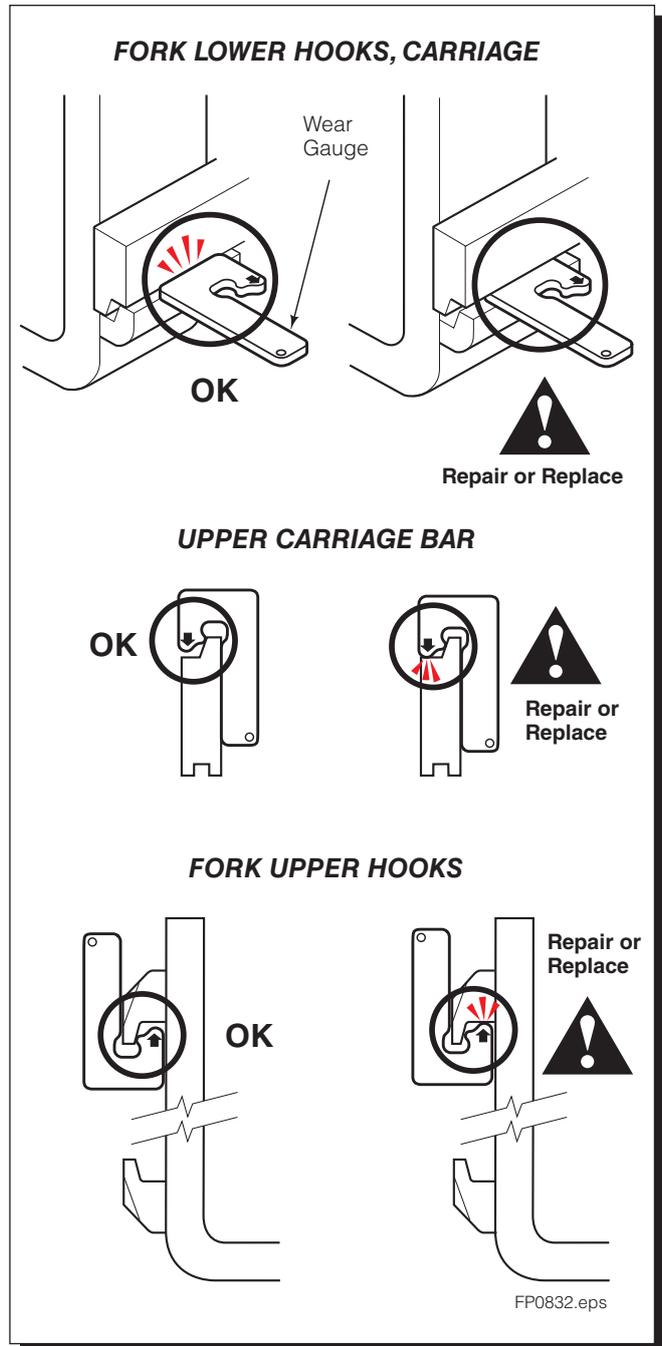
### Wear Gauges

- A** Inspect the fork lower hooks and carriage bar. If the gauge fits between the carriage bar and lower hook, repair or replacement is needed.
- B** Inspect the upper carriage bar. If the gauge arrow touches the carriage bar, repair or replacement is needed.
- C** Inspect the fork upper hooks. If the gauge arrow touches the hook, repair or replacement is needed.

### Fork Calipers – Thickness Wear

**NOTE:** Use fork calipers on fork up to and including 100 mm thick. Do not use on full or lumber tapered forks. Fork calipers measure the thickness of fork arm shank and indicates that a 10% wear factor would be when calipers are applied to the blade cross-section.

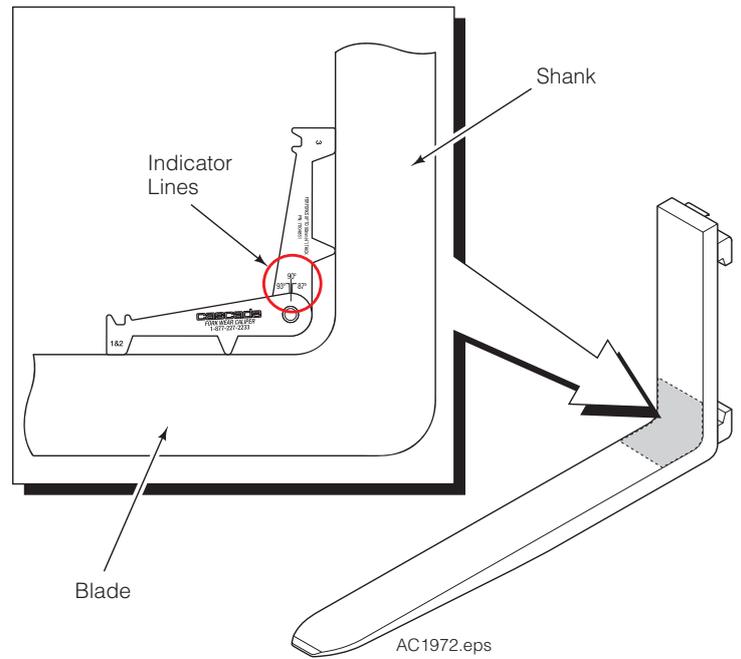
- A** Set the front teeth of the jaws by measuring the thickness of the shank. Check that the caliper is held square across the shank for an accurate reading. This sets the measure of the fork arm blade.
- B** Carefully remove caliper and position the jaws on the fork arm blade approximately 50 mm out from the inside of the shank.
  - If the inside teeth of the caliper hit the fork, it has less than 10% wear and requires no replacement.
  - If the inside teeth of the caliper pass over the fork freely, the fork must be taken out of service. The fork has 10% wear and 20% reduction in capacity.



## Fork Calipers – Fork Heel Angle

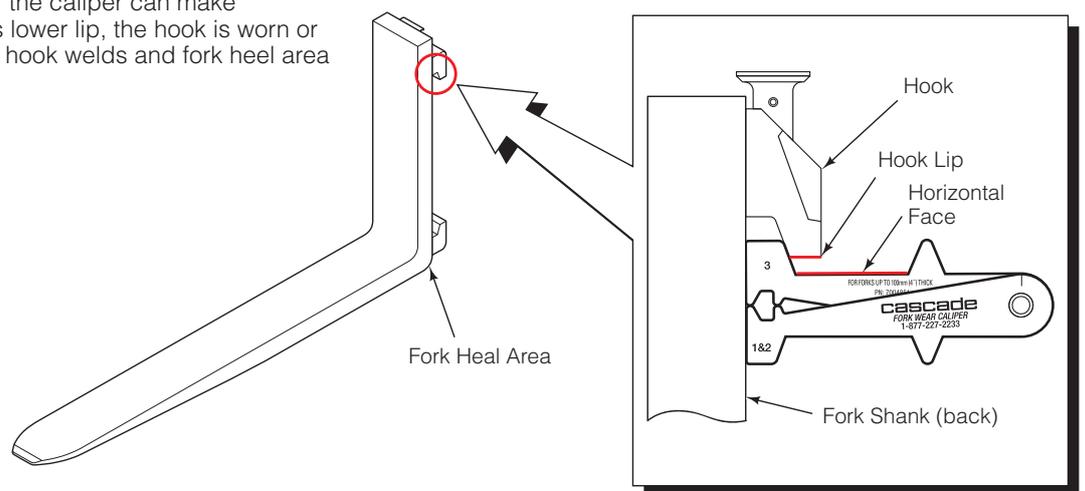
**NOTE:** Some forks are intentionally built with the fork angle either smaller or greater than 90°. These forks will need to be inspected by other methods.

- A** Open the calipers to approximately 90° and place the calipers in the top inside heel area of the fork.
- B** Verify that the lower pieces on the horizontal leg are both touching the top of the blade.
- C** Move the calipers towards the shank. Verify that the caliper arms are both parallel to the blade and to the upright shank of the fork.
- D** Adjust the calipers so that all four points are simultaneously in contact with the fork. Gently remove the calipers. Look at the indicator lines found at the top of the hinge pin.
  - If the lines on the horizontal leg lie beyond either 93° or 87° indicator lines, the forks should be marked to be checked for either permanent deformation, possible stress cracks or other defects that impede the safe use of the fork.



## Fork Calipers – Hook Angle

- A** Select the correct Class ITA profile on the caliper for the appropriate ITA hook.
- B** Insert the caliper up into the hook recess with the corresponding 20° angle face contacting the 20° angle of the hook.
- C** Press the vertical face flat against the fork upright/shank and move the caliper up into the hook recess. The caliper must be held at 90° to the hook.
  - If the horizontal face of the caliper can make contact with the hook's lower lip, the hook is worn or deformed. Check fork hook welds and fork heel area for cracks.



## Periodic Maintenance

**IMPORTANT:** Always refer to the standards and derivatives of the local regulatory body.

The safety requirements related to lift truck fork inspection, repair and testing are listed below.

### Inspection and Repair of Forks in Service on Fork Lift Trucks

- (a) Forks in use shall be inspected at intervals of not more than 12 months (for single shift operations) or whenever any defect or permanent deformation is detected. Severe applications will require more frequent inspection.
- (b) *Individual Load Rating of Forks.* When forks are used in pairs (the normal arrangement), the rated capacity of each fork shall be at least half of the manufacturer's rated capacity of the truck, and at the rated load center distance shown on the lift truck nameplate.

### Inspection

Fork inspection shall be carried out carefully by trained personnel with the aim of detecting any damage, failure, deformation, etc., which might impair safe use. Any fork that shows such a defect shall be withdrawn from service, and shall not be returned to service unless it has been satisfactorily repaired in accordance with section "Repair and Testing".

- (a) *Surface Cracks.* The fork shall be thoroughly examined visually for cracks and if considered necessary, subjected to a nondestructive crack detection process, special attention being paid to the heel and welds attaching all mounting components to the fork blank. This inspection for cracks must also include any special mounting mechanisms of the fork blank to the fork carrier including bolt-type mountings and forged upper mounting arrangements for hook or shaft-type carriages. The forks shall not be returned to service if surface cracks are detected.
- (b) *Straightness of Blade and Shank.* The straightness of the upper face of the blade and the front face of the shank shall be checked. If the deviation from straightness exceeds 0.5% of the length of the blade and/or the height of the shank, respectively, the fork shall not be returned to service until it has been repaired in accordance with section "Repair and Testing".
- (c) *Fork Angle (Upper Face of Blade to Load Face of the Shank).* Any fork that has a deviation of greater than 3 deg from the original specification shall not be returned to service. The rejected fork shall be reset and tested in accordance with section "Repair and Testing".
- (d) *Difference in Height of Fork Tips.* The difference in height of one set of forks when mounted on the fork carrier shall be checked. If the difference in tip heights exceeds 3% of the length of the blade, the set of forks shall not be returned to service until repaired in accordance with section "Repair and Testing".
- (e) *Positioning Lock (When Originally Provided).* It shall be confirmed that the positioning lock is in good repair and correct working order. If any fault is found, the fork shall be withdrawn from service until satisfactory repairs have been effected.

### (f) Wear

- (1) *Fork Blade and Shank.* The fork blade and shank shall be thoroughly checked for wear, special attention being paid to the vicinity of the heel. If the thickness is reduced to 90% of the original thickness, the fork shall not be returned to service.
- (2) *Fork Hooks (When Originally Provided).* The support face of the top hook and the retaining faces of both hooks shall be checked for wear, crushing, and other local deformations. If these are apparent to such an extent that the clearance between the fork and the fork carrier becomes excessive, the fork shall not be returned to service until repaired in accordance with section "Repair and Testing".
- (g) *Legibility of Marking (When Originally Provided).* If the fork marking is not clearly legible, it shall be renewed according to local standards. Marking shall be renewed per instructions from original supplier.

### Repair and Testing

- (a) *Repair.* Only the manufacturer of the fork or an expert of equal competence shall decide if a fork may be repaired for continued use, and the repairs shall only be carried out by such parties. It is not recommended that surface cracks or wear be repaired by welding. When repairs necessitating resetting are required, the fork shall subsequently be subjected to an appropriate heat treatment, as necessary.
- (b) *Test Loading.* A fork that has undergone repairs other than repair or replacement of the positioning lock and/or the marking, shall only be returned to service after being submitted to, and passing, the tests according to local standards, and may have the exception that the test load shall correspond to 2.5 times the rated capacity marked on the fork.