

## Telehandler / Zoom Boom

Used Telehandler Roseville - Telehandlers have numerous names including a teleporter, Cherry picker, telescopic handler or boom lift. This industrial machine is commonly used in a variety of industries and in agriculture. Similar to a crane and a forklift as it has a boom allowing it to extend forwards and upwards. Many different attachments can be used at the end of the articulating boom to facilitate a wide number of jobs. Common attachments include pallet forks, a winch, a bucket or a muck grab. The main telehandler attachment is the pallet forks. They allow the operator to transport loads to and from locations that are considered unreachable with a regular forklift. Telehandlers allow cargo pallets to be transported from trailers and placed on racking, rooftops or other difficult to reach locations. Often, high rooftop locations would need a crane although, telehandlers can accomplish these tasks much more efficiently. It isn't always practical or affordable to rely on a crane or secondary machinery to complete the job. A bucket grab or a bucket is the most common attachments for telehandlers within the agricultural sector. Moving items from unreachable locations that cannot be completed with a backhoe loader or wheeled loader give telehandlers a huge advantage. Telehandlers are beneficial for applications that would usually require a loading ramp or conveyor since they are capable of directly accessing trailers with high sides and hoppers. Using one machine to finish numerous jobs saves storage space, money and time. Telehandler machines can work in conjunction with a crane jib. Various attachments may be used including rotators, dirt buckets, grain buckets and power booms. The agricultural models can use three-point linkage and power take-off to make telehandlers multi-tasking. Conversely, the main advantage of this machine doubles as its' largest limitation. The boom acts as a lever when it extends or raises with heavy loads. Even with rear counterweights, this machine may become unstable from time to time; decreasing the lift capacity when the distance between the center of the load and the front of the wheels or the working radius increases. If the machine works as a single boom loader instead of using twin arms while carrying a large load, there is a chance that weakness can occur even in the most carefully designed units. A machine with a 5K lb. capacity could safely lift 400 lbs. while fully extended using a retracted low boom angle. This unit with a 5000 lb. lift capability and retracted boom could support as much as ten thousand pounds after the boom is raised seventy degrees. Monitoring the angle, weight and boom height, there are load charts on this equipment to outline which tasks can be safely conducted. Newer telehandler models rely on computers and sensors to monitor the machine. When the telehandler limits have been surpassed, the operator is cut off and warned from supplying further control input. Front stabilizers that enhance the lifting capacity of the machine while stationary can make a huge difference. A mobile crane can also use a bucket is another option consisting of a stabilized rotary joint found between upper and lower frames. There are many models of telehandlers differing in size, weight, boom designs and reach. Telehandlers fall into the compact category if the unit weighs in at 11,000 lbs. or less. Compact units have a two-stage boom compared to larger machines that feature three or four boom designs. A low pivot boom ensures better operator visibility for transporting loads on compact units. There are narrower and smaller dimensions offered with the compact telehandler. The compact units offer a reach capacity between thirteen to twenty feet and a lifting capacity ranging from five thousand to seven thousand pounds. These versatile machines make the compact telehandler extremely popular. It may be used as a tool carrier or a pick and place machine. This machine is often used in locations that are cramped and tight. Residential services are often employed during framing and for jobs with height restrictions. These units can be useful for accessing internal building locations. Compact units are popular in multi-story construction, nurseries, strip malls, landscaping, masonry, garage facilities and erecting steel among other applications. Telehandlers are employed by agri-business and farming applications to complete many jobs. Telehandlers are made with two or four-wheel drive as well as crab steering. This machine can traverse longer distances with two-wheel drive at higher speeds to facilitate easy travel between worksites. The 4-WD units are

capable of having a tighter turning radius and can travel difficult terrain. Crab steering enhances the units' maneuverability while allowing each set of wheels to move forty-five degrees to the right or left. There are a variety of cab interior options available for compact telehandlers. There is a rollover protective cage to enhance safety on less expensive models. Higher-end models are equipped with a fully enclosed cab, a heater, windshield wiper and defroster. Compact units feature spacious cab accommodations to keep operators totally comfortable. Additional features such as cup holders, air conditioning, tilt steering, suspension seats and satellite radio are all options. Many high-pressure hydraulics and high-flow auxiliary hydraulics operate the numerous attachments. The different attachments allow the machine to be capable of many options. All of these attachments enable the machine to conduct a variety of jobs. Compact units are more commonly utilized for ground engaging jobs. It is easy to enjoy the benefits of a mini excavator by adding a simple bucket attachment to the telehandler. Light-duty to heavy-duty buckets can be attached for transferring material, side-shifting and rotating fork carriages are relied on for pick and place situations, augers for drilling post holes or planting trees or pier supports, truss booms for extending reach, crane hooks, brooms for sweeping and more. Skid steer options are made for compact telehandler designs and ultimate versatility.