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#### **Foreword**

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#### Introduction

This document is a type C standard as stated in EN ISO 12100-1:2003.

The machinery concerned and the extent to which hazards, hazardous situations and hazardous events are covered are indicated in the scope of this document. In addition, machinery should comply as appropriate with EN ISO 12100-1 for hazards which are not covered by this standard.

When provisions of this type C standard are different from those which are stated in type A or B standards, the provisions of this type C standard take precedence over the provisions of the other standards, for machines that have been designed and built according to the provisions of this type C standard.

The object of this European Standard is to define rules for safeguarding persons against the risk of accidents associated with the operation of vehicle lifts.

While elaborating this standard it was assumed that only authorized persons operate the vehicle lifts and that the working area is sufficiently lit.

The requirement concerning loading control is not deemed pertinent to this standard insofar as:

- experience and the state of the art suggests that failing to observe this requirement has not historically given rise to unsafe situations;
- such devices which would give protection against overall and local overloading are not currently available
  in forms which cover all eventualities:
- the weight and weight distribution is freely available for the type of vehicles to be lifted and as such it is the responsibility of the user to prevent an unsafe situation arising;
- vehicle lifts are generally designed to suit the maximum weight of vehicle to which it would reasonably be subjected, hence the normal duty of a lift is substantially lower than the maximum.



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