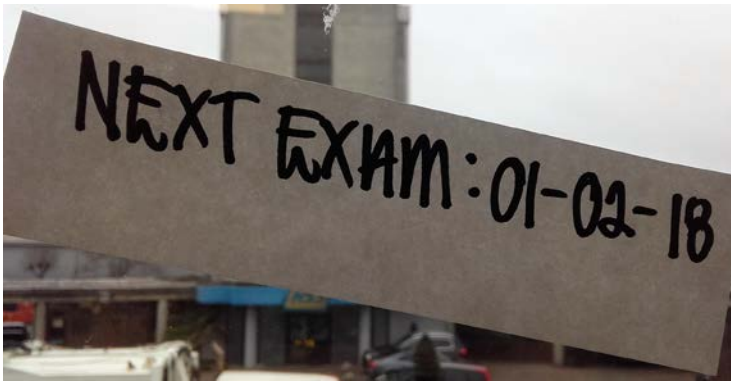


Forklifts used to lift loads (but not devices designed to lift people) need to be thoroughly examined at least every year or sooner. Usually the examination is planned and carried out by the hire company.

The 'Thorough Examination' is a legal requirement under the *Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations* (LOLER). On completion of the examination the competent engineer will issue a 'Certificate of Thorough Examination' which must be retained in the site file.

Forklift operators, Site Managers and Supervisors who ensure weekly inspections take place (and are recorded on the statutory register) need to ensure that forklifts have a current certificate of thorough examination. To assist in these inspections forklifts should have a sticker showing the date of the next examination. If this is not provided by the engineer, you can create your own.



If you have any health and safety issues that you wish to discuss contact your supervisor, line manager or Safety Advisor.

Remember there must be NO COMPROMISE where health and safety is concerned.