

The Top 5 Forklift Attachments for 2023

Forklift attachments have a wide range of uses – from lifting people safely at work, to sweeping, tipping, and extending. Knowing which is the best choice for your own business can be challenging, especially with so many variants, sizes, and shapes available on the market. To help, we've shared our top 5 attachments to consider in 2023.

1. The Forklift Tipping Skip

Without a doubt one of the most popular attachments at any time of the year, forklift tipping skips are the perfect waste handling tool which allows users to safely manage waste in a speedy, efficient, and safe manner.

With a range of skips to choose from – such as with a lid, without, with raised mesh sides, or even fully-automatic tipping – you can choose the type most suited for your individual needs. And they can also be used in a wide range of environments – with some of our existing partners including Superdrug and Argos, to HM Prison Service, Royal Air Force and Rolls Royce.

2. Fork Extensions

Another product in high-demand across a range of markets and industries is the heavy-duty Fork Extension – a tool which can be used as and when required to temporarily lengthen your existing forklift's reach. It's an especially handy piece of kit, enabling you to find a cost-effective way of increasing your forklift's stability and reach without investing in a more permanent (and expensive) solution.

3. Forklift Safety Cages

For safe working at height operations, forklift safety cages offer the perfect solution when an emergency or unplanned high-level access is required. From changing an overhead light fitting or carrying out emergency repair work – having a forklift access platform on standby as a temporary solution makes perfect sense.

4. Forklift Drum Handlers

Forklift drum handlers can come in a range of shapes and sizes, including tippers and rotators. Whether you wish to lift and transport a steel drum around a factory, or manipulate a plastic drum from vertical to horizontal (or vice versa) for stacking and racking purposes, they can prove hugely valuable and useful in any workplace which handles them.

5. Big Bag Handlers

Moving big bags can be tiresome work, which is why many opt to hang them from the forks of trucks via the bag straps. But as we've seen many times, these straps can break, the bag can fall, sway a forklift truck, and pose an overall health and safety risk to the workforce and equipment. A far better solution is the big bag handler, which is purposely-designed to handle standard-size 'big bags' whilst utilising the forks of the truck. The attachments simply fit to the forks, allowing the bags to be picked up via the bag loops, and claws are situated on each corner to ensure safe lifting, loading, and unloading. And, there's also different versions to suit other methods of handling too – such as the carriage-mounted handler and cruciform handler.

Conclusion:

Forklift attachments are brilliant tools that are relied upon by many industries, including construction, pharmaceutical, transport and logistics, and food and drink (to name but a few!). They take away the need to invest in permanent and expensive equipment, and can be attached, and

detached with ease depending on how you need your forklift to operate (plus, they're compatible with most forklift trucks!) These are just some of the most popular attachments in any season, but there are so many others that suit even the most niche of tasks! From salt spreaders and scoops, to towing, stabilising, and brackets – do check out our full range on the website, or chat to a member of the team for guidance.