

INSTRUCTIONS FOR UNLOADING YARD RAMPS FROM FLATBED TRAILERS

If an overhead crane of sufficient capacity is not available, use a forklift with a minimum capacity rating of 8,000 pounds to unload catalog listed yard ramps.

A nylon sling of at least 48" in length is recommended. The sling may be of the "2 eye" or "endless" configuration. A minimum capacity rating of 10,000 pounds for the basket method of lifting is recommended.

Push both forks of the forklift as close together as possible in the center of the forklift. Position forklift forks above the ramp. Feed the sling through the side mounted lifting lug and position one loop of the sling over each fork to within 24 inches of the forklift carriage, thus creating a basket lift.

Lift the yard ramp until it clears the floor of the trailer by a few inches. Move away from the trailer and lower the ramp to the ground.

Note: If mast height of the forklift will not allow sling usage, position forks beneath the upper side of the ramp and above the grating. **Do not attempt to lift the yard ramp from the lower side of the unit.**

Note: Do not remove the safety wire that is restraining the undercarriage assembly prior to lowering the unit onto its wheels. Failure to follow this direction may result in damage to the undercarriage.

To lower the yard ramp onto its wheels, position the forklift on the underside of the yard ramp. Attach sling as described above; lift the yard ramp and place the front lip (the end with the chains) on a stack of three pallets, and lower the ramp so that the rear lip touches the ground.

Tilt forks back fully and move slowly away from the yard ramp, lowering the forks at the same time. Continue moving and lowering the forks until the ramp is resting on its wheels. Remove the sling.

Additional information on slings and hitches can be supplied by sling providers.