Telehandler / Zoom Boom

Used Telehandler Oklahoma - Telehandlers go by many different names including a boom lift, telescopic handler, Cherry picker or teleporter. These machines are utilized in agriculture and many different industries. This machine functions similarly to a crane and a forklift with the ability to extend upward and forward. Numerous attachments can be placed at the end of the articulating boom to conduct a variety of different jobs. Different attachments such as a bucket, pallet forks, a muck grab or a winch can help the machine complete many jobs. The most common 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. These machines enable cargo pallets to be unloaded and loaded from a trailer and placed on rooftops, racking or other high and hard to access locations. Normally, high rooftop applications would require the use of a crane; however, telehandlers can complete this task more efficiently. It isn't always practical or affordable to rely on a crane or secondary machinery to complete the job. A bucket or bucket grab is the most popular telehandler attachment in the agricultural industry. 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. Having one item to complete a variety of jobs saves time, money and storage space. Telehandler machines can work in conjunction with a crane jib. Numerous attachments can be utilized including power booms, grain buckets, dirt buckets and rotators. Three-point linkage and power take-off can be used with agricultural models to make this machine particularly capable. Conversely, the main advantage of this machine doubles as its' largest limitation. The boom raises or extends with heavy loads, acting as a lever. 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. When a telehandler functions as a single boom loader (as opposed to twin arms) and carrying a heavy load, there can be a potential for weakness even in the best designs. A machine with a 5K lb. capacity could safely lift 400 lbs. while fully extended using a retracted low boom angle. Raising the same piece of equipment 70 degrees could allow this machine with a five thousand pound lift capability and retracted boom to support up to ten thousand pounds. There is a load chart on these machines to determine which tasks can be safely executed by taking the weight, angle and boom height into account. Updated telehandler models have computers and sensors. The operator is warned and even cut off further control input once the limits of the telehandler are surpassed. Front stabilizers that enhance the lifting capacity of the machine while stationary can make a huge difference. Another option is a stabilizing rotary joint between lower and upper frames, often referred to as a mobile crane that can additionally utilize a bucket. There are many models of telehandlers differing in size, weight, boom designs and reach. Telehandlers that weigh 11,000 pounds or less fall into the compact category. 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. Compact telehandlers have a reach capacity ranging between 13 to 20 feet with a lift capacity ranging from 5k to 7k pounds. The versatility of the compact telehandler makes it popular in a variety of applications. It may be used as a tool carrier or a pick and place machine. Compact units are ideal for cramped locations. Residential services are often employed during framing and for jobs with height restrictions. These units can be useful for accessing internal building locations. Compact telehandlers are commonly used in nurseries, landscaping, multi-story construction, building strip malls and garages, masonry, erecting steel and more. Farming and agri-business applications often rely on telehandlers to accomplish many tasks. 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 increases overall maneuvering and enables the front and back wheels to move 45 degrees to the left or the right. Compact telehandlers have numerous cab environments to choose from. On entry-level models, there is a rollover cage for added safety. Higher-end models are equipped with a fully enclosed cab, a heater, windshield wiper and defroster. Operators enjoy spacious accommodation for ultimate comfort. Additional features such as cup holders, air conditioning, tilt steering, suspension seats and satellite radio are all options. The numerous attachment options are facilitated with high-pressure and high-flow auxiliary hydraulics. These attachments increase the functions the machine is capable of. Compact units are more commonly utilized for ground engaging jobs. Adding a bucket attachment can make a compact telehandler transform into a mini excavator. Light and heavy-duty buckets can be used to move items, augers can plant trees or drill holes, rotating and side-shifting fork carriages facilitate pick-and-place, truss booms are in place for extending reach, sweeping brooms and crane hooks are other popular attachments. Skid steer attachments are being manufactured for certain compact telehandler designs for even more versatility.