



Safety Message of the Day for IMEA Members



Aerial Device Jib Safety Message

Most aerial devices sold to companies in the utility industry are equipped with jibs. However, not all jibs are the same, and the user should evaluate the type of work to be done when choosing the equipment for the job. Before dispatching to the job, workers should know how the lines are situated relative to where the vehicle can be located. In addition, the weight of the load will determine the capacity of the aerial device and jib needed.

- Know Your Equipment
- Inspect Your Equipment
- Know the Load
- Understand Proper Setup

Lifting transformers is one of the everyday tasks conducted by utility crews. Aerial devices equipped with jibs have made this work easier and more productive. In some cases, aerial devices with material-handling capability also can reduce the amount of equipment needed on the job site. Most importantly, they can improve safety when used properly. The next time your crew is tasked with changing out a transformer, consider best practices for equipment selection, inspection, setup and load handling.