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Genie Lift Accessory

As we all know, it can sometimes be very difficult to reach ceilings and elevated locations with scissor lifts due to the guardrails. This is especially difficult when the contractor has decided to "bury" you, and has ceilings installed, HVAC systems installed, plumbing installed, electrical installed, and you still need to reach above all of it!

This scenario results in employees standing on mid-rails, and sometimes the top-rails, to reach their work. Of course, we should all know that this is forbidden by OSHA, but it is hard to blame employees for trying to find ways to accomplish their job. Ideally, work would be performed from the top down, but unfortunately, this does not happen as often as it should.

In order to address this problem, Man Lift Manufacturing Co. crated the SHU. The link provided will bring you to a short video describing the accessory. The accessory basically provides a method for elevating a worker into a small area when the guardrails get in the way. The SHU is built to be used with Genie lifts, so it may not work with any other lift type or simply may not be approved, so be careful with how you use it.

This product is designed to add height while working on a Genie scissor lift, instead of the employee standing on the rails. This may not work in every situation, but it is an option. The information package about this product is included in the e-mail that contained this update. However, please contact your Risk Specialist if you have comment or concerns.

Be advised that ORCPG is not endorsing or approving this product. Everyone is responsible for doing their research and ensuring that the product is safe, effective and approved for their use. This is meant as an informational update only, and to provide you with information that may assist you in the future.

https://www.youtube.com/user/manliftmfgco