



PTG BOARD POLICY 3-4

POLICY TITLE: Genie-Lift AWP-25 and Theatre Straddle Unit

BACKGROUND

Trained Technical personnel may from time to time perform work at high heights within the theatre using the Genie Lift and straddle unit. It is imperative that safety protocols be followed within the theatre at all times when using such equipment.

POLICY STATEMENT

The Genie-Lift and Straddle Unit are the property of the Peterborough Theatre Guild and use of such equipment is governed according to the manufacturer's operating procedures (located on the Genie Lift), with additional requirements as determined by the Peterborough Theatre Guild and expressed in this policy.

POLICY

1. The Genie Lift will be used for all work done at heights over 10 feet.
2. Only volunteers who have successfully completed a training program, as determined by the Peterborough Theatre Guild Board and the trainer (locally qualified trainers include [Battlefield Equipment or Rapid Lift](#)), shall be permitted to operate the Genie-Lift and Straddle Unit. Once training is complete the volunteer operator shall be certified (by the trainer provide Battlefield Equipment or Rapid Lift)
3. Authorization to operate the Genie-Lift automatically expires three years from the date of certification but may be renewed upon completion of an additional training session
4. Keys for the genie Lift will be issued on a show by show basis at the discretion of the technical chair. The keys will be issued by the Key Control Manager.
5. All volunteers working on the Genie-Lift shall wear a fall arrest harness with an appropriate lanyard which has been securely anchored. Such anchor may be fastened either to the hitching point inside the cage or to a support of the building capable of supporting a 5,000 pound static load.
6. There is to be a maximum of two people in the lift cage at any time.
7. Relocating the equipment from theatre to stage and back, assembling and disassembling the Genie-Lift and the Straddle Unit is a two person job and shall never be attempted by one person.
8. All safety interlocks and devices of the unit are to be used as determined by the manufacturer. These guidelines are located in the side pocket of the Genie Lift. .
9. When the theatre is being used by outside groups a certified PTG member must be present to operate the lift.

10. Contravention of any portion of this policy by a volunteer operating the Genie Lift will result in the volunteer no longer being permitted to operate the equipment; therefore, their name shall be removed from the list of operations.

MONITORING:

The Health and Safety Committee shall monitor the certification of the Genie Lift Operators by creating a list of certified operators and placing it with the operators manual on the side of the Genie Lift. .

Battlefield Equipment or Rapid Lift are the only locally qualified trainers for Genie Lift Certification.

Any incident involving the Genie Lift shall be reported to the Production Executive who may choose to take appropriate action to mitigate any related risk.

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Related Policies: Health and Safety, Key control policy

Related Documents: Genie Lift Owner's Manual; Genie-Lift AWP-25 and Theatre Straddle Unit, Appendix A