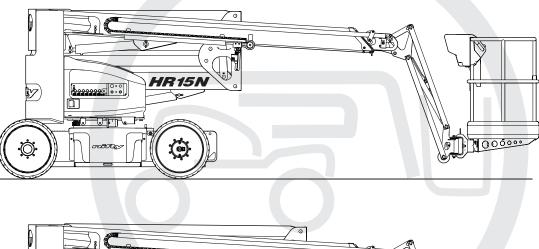


Heightrider

Operating & Safety Instructions MODEL HR15N (SP45N) & HR17N (SP50N) Mk 3 SERIES





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1 Introduction and General Information

1.1 FOREWORD

The purpose of these manuals is to provide the customer with appropriate safety operating and maintenance instructions essential for proper machine operation.

All information in these manuals should be **READ** and fully **UNDERSTOOD** before any attempt is made to operate the machine. **THESE MANUALS ARE VERY IMPORTANT TOOLS** - Keep them with the machine at all times.

The manufacturer has no direct control over machine application and use, therefore conformance with good safety practices is the responsibility of the user and his operating personnel.

All information in these manuals is based on the use of the machine under proper operating conditions. Alteration and/or modification of the machine are strictly forbidden.

One of the most important facts to remember is that any equipment is only as safe as those who operate it.

DANGER, WARNING, CAUTION, IMPORTANT, INSTRUCTIONS, AND NOTICE

Any place these topics may appear, either in this manual or on the machine, they are defined as follows:

DANGER: If not correctly followed there is a high probability of serious injury or death to personnel.

WARNING OR CAUTION: If not correctly followed there is some possibility of serious injury or death to personnel.



THE **'SAFETY ALERT'** SYMBOL IS USED TO CALL ATTENTION TO POTENTIAL HAZARDS THAT MAY LEAD TO SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH, IF IGNORED.

IMPORTANT AND INSTRUCTIONS: Denotes procedures essential to safe operation and prevention of damage to or destruction of the machine.

NOTICE: Indicates general safety rules and/or procedures relating to the machine.

It is the owner's/user's responsibility to know and comply with all applicable rules, regulations, laws, codes, and any other requirements applicable to the safe use of this equipment.

1.2 SCOPE

These operating instructions contain all the necessary information required to allow the safe operation of any Niftylift Height Rider 15N or 17N (SP45N or SP50N in the USA), powered by DC electric (E).

For further technical information, circuit diagrams and specific instructions for all maintenance which may need to be carried out by specialist trained personnel, see the associated Workshop and Parts manual for your model of Niftylift Height Rider.

1.3 INTRODUCING THE HEIGHT RIDER SELF-PROPELLED (SP) SERIES

Please note at the time of going to press all information, illustrations, details and descriptions contained herein are valid. Niftylift reserves the right to change, modify or improve its products without any obligations to install them on previously manufactured machines.

If, after reading this manual you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Driven from the platform, the Niftylift Height Rider 15N or 17N (SP45N or SP50N) is an extremely versatile articulated boom platform of unique and simple design. The HR15N can place two men and their tools at a height of 15.5m (50ft 10in) or an outreach of 9.7m (32ft).

The booms are mounted via a 360° powered swing mechanism onto a compact narrow base with a tight turning circle that ensures excellent manoeuvrability and maximum efficiency.

Automatic braking and audible alarms activated by a four degree tilt sensor help to prevent the operator from working on unsafe terrain whilst elevated.

A digital control system gives smooth, reliable movement of the platform and maximum reliability in the harshest environments.

Model	Power Source
HR15 Narrow 2x4	Electric
HR17 Narrow 2x4	Electric

This Operating Manual is applicable to the following machines;

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1.4 GENERAL SPECIFICATION

FEATURE	HR15N	HR17N	
Maximum Height - Working	15.50m	17.0m	
	50ft 10in 56ft 0in		
Maximum Height - Platform	13.50m	15.0m	
	44ft 3in	49ft 6in	
MAXIMUM OUTREACH		7m	
		2ft	
MAXIMUM HEIGHT – STOWED		10m 7in	
MAXIMUM WIDTH		Om	
		11in	
MAXIMUM LENGTH - STOWED	4.9	3m	
	16f	t 2in	
PLATFORM CAPACITY	225kg ((500lbs)	
WHEELBASE		0m	
	5ft	11in	
TURNING RADIUS		5 m	
	11f	t 6in	
TURRET ROTATION	355 ⁰		
TURRET TAIL SWING	0.01m		
		1in	
TRAVEL SPEED		2 mph 5 kph	
PLATFORM SIZE		x 0.85m	
		x 2ft 9in	
BOOMS CONTROLS	Proportion	nal electric	
DRIVE CONTROLS	Proportion	nal electric	
HYDRAULIC PRESSURE	207bar (Booms) 280bar (Drive)	
TYRES	Foam Filled		
GRADE-ABILITY	25	5%	
MINIMUM VEHICLE WEIGHT	7250kg	7400kg	
	15980lbs	16300lbs	
MAXIMUM GROUND PRESSURE	0.129 kn/cm ²	0.132 kn/cm ²	
	26900 lbs/ft ² 27600 lbs/ft ²		
POWER SOURCE	E (DC Electric) – 8 x 6v 350 AH batteries		

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1.5 IDENTIFICATION (UK PLATE)

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NIFTYLIFT LTD. RINGLE DRIVE, STONEBRIDGE MILTON KEYNES MK130ER ENGLAND TEL 01908 223456 : FAX 01908 312733 e-mail : info@niftylift.com			
SERIAL No			
TYPE			
YEAR OF MANUFACTURE			
WEIGHT			kg
RATED LOAD	PERSONS	+	ю
MAXIMUM SAFE WORKING LC	MAXIMUM SAFE WORKING LOAD		
MAXIMUM PULL			N
MAXIMUM WIND SPEED			m/s
MAX. ALLOWABLE INCLINATION	N		Deg.
MAXIMUM HYDRAULIC PRESS	SURE		bar
MAXIMUM VOLTAGE AMPS			V A
ELEC. CCT D	ISSUE		
HYD. CCT D	ISSUE		
			P10805

This manufacturer's plate is attached to the chassis on each machine at the time of manufacture on every Niftylift. Please ensure all sections have been stamped and are legible.

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1.5a IDENTIFICATION (USA PLATE)

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THIS WORK PLATFOR	M COMPLIES WITH ANSI STANE)ARD A 92-
MODEL		
SERIAL NO		
YEAR OF MANUFACTU	RE	
CAPACITY RATING		LBS
PLATFORM HEIGHT		FEET
GROSS WEIGHT		LBS
MAXIMUM HYDRAULIC	PRESSURE	PSI
MAXIMUM VOLTAGE AMPS		V A
ELEC. CCT D	ISSUE	
HYD. CCT D	ISSUE	
		P11497

This manufacturer's plate is attached to the chassis on each machine at the time of manufacture on every Niftylift. Please ensure all sections have been stamped and are legible.

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1.6 **EC DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY (Typical)**



EC DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

MANUFACTURER AND PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR DOCUMENTATION: ADDRESS:

NIFTYLIFT LTD MALCOLM NORTH

CHALKDELL DRIVE, SHENLEY WOOD, **MILTON KEYNES,** MK5 6GF ENGLAND.

MACHINE TYPE:

MODEL TYPE:

SERIAL NUMBER:

NOTIFIED BODY:

NOTIFIED BODY NUMBER: 0044

ADDRESS:

MOBILE ELEVATING WORK PLATFORM

TUV NORD CERT GmbH

POSTFACH 10 32 61 D-45141 ESSEN GERMANY

CERTIFICATE NUMBER:

APPLICABLE STANDARDS:

EN 280:2013 DIN EN 60204-1, 2006/42/EC

We hereby declare that the above mentioned machine conforms with the requirements of the Machinery Directive, 2006/42/EC and EMC Directive 2004/108/EC

SIGNED: MD North

DATE

NAME: Malcolm North

POSITION: Engineering Manager

NOTE:

THIS DECLARATION CONFORMS WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF ANNEX II-1.A OF THE COUNCIL DIRECTIVE 2006/42/EC. ANY MODIFICATIONS TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED MACHINE WILL INVALIDATE THIS DECLARATION, AND THE MACHINE'S APPROVAL.

2 Safety

2.1 MANDATORY PRECAUTIONS

When operating your Niftylift, your safety is of utmost concern. In order to fully appreciate all aspects of the machine's operation it should be ensured that each operator has **READ** and fully **UNDERSTOOD** the relevant manual covering machine use, maintenance, and servicing. If any doubts exist concerning any point covered in your manual, contact your local dealer or Niftylift Ltd.

Before using any Niftylift, thoroughly inspect the machine for damage or deformation to any major components. Likewise, check the control systems for hydraulic leaks, damaged hoses, cable faults, or loose covers to electrical components. At no time should damaged or faulty equipment be used - Correct all defects before putting the platform to work. If in doubt, contact your local dealer or Niftylift Ltd. (details on page 3).



THE MANUFACTURER HAS NO DIRECT CONTROL OVER THE MACHINE APPLICATION AND USE. THEREFORE CONFORMATION WITH GOOD SAFETY PRACTICES IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE USER AND THEIR OPERATING PERSONNEL. FAILURE TO UNDERSTAND AND FOLLOW ALL SAFETY RULES COULD RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH.

- **2.1.1** Only trained persons will be permitted to operate the Niftylift.
- **2.1.2** Always operate the Niftylift in full accordance with the manufacturer's Operating & Safety Instructions for that model.
- **2.1.3** Before use each day and at the beginning of each shift the Niftylift shall be given a visual inspection and functional test including, but not limited to, operating and emergency controls, safety devices, personal protective clothing, including fall protection, air, hydraulic and fuel system leaks, cables and wiring harness, loose or missing parts, tyres and wheels, placards, warnings, control markings and Operating and Safety Manuals, guards and guard rail systems, and all other items specified by the manufacturer.
- 2.1.4 Any problems or malfunctions that affect operational safety must be repaired prior to use of the platform, with specific regard to any safety components (refer to the Parts Manual for part numbers and details). If in doubt, contact Niftylift Ltd. (details on page 3). Ensure wheels are chocked before carrying out any maintenance that involves gearbox disengagement as described in Section 4.7.2
- **2.1.5** Always ensure that all warning labels, instructions, placards, control markings, and Safety Manuals are intact and clearly legible. If replacements are required contact your local dealer or Niftylift Ltd. Always observe and obey safety and operating instructions on such labels.
- **2.1.6** Do not alter, modify, or disable in any way the controls, safety devices, interlocks, or any other part of the Niftylift.
- **2.1.7** Before the Niftylift is used and during use the user shall check the area in which it is to be used for possible hazards such as, but not limited to, uneven ground, drop-offs, holes, bumps, obstructions, debris, floor and overhead obstructions, high voltage conductors, wind and weather, unauthorised persons, and any other possibly hazardous conditions.

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- **2.1.8** This Niftylift contains several hazardous substances such as, but not limited to, battery acid and hydraulic fluid.
- **2.1.9** Covers and canopies should remain closed when the Niftylift is in operation. Only trained personnel should carry out maintenance on the Niftylift, ensuring at all times they protect themselves from electrical, heat, and mechanical hazards.
- **2.1.10** Never exceed the maximum platform capacity, as indicated on the decals and machine serial plate.
- **2.1.11** Only operate the Niftylift on a firm, level surface.
- **2.1.12** Never position any part of the Niftylift inside the **Minimum approach distances** (MAD) to aboveground electrical conductors as listed in the table below. (Reference ISO 18893:2014).

Voltage range (kV)	MAD (m)
<0.7	1
≥0.7 to 7	1.2
>7 to 50	3
>50 to 220	4
>220 to 500	5
>500 to 750	10
>750 to 1000	13
>1000 to 1250	16



THIS MACHINE IS NOT INSULATED.

If in doubt, contact the local appropriate governing authority.

- **2.1.13** On entering the platform ensure that the drop down entry bar is closed afterwards.
- **2.1.14** Use of an approved safety belt and lanyard, hard hat, and appropriate safety clothing is mandatory. Fasten harness to designated harness securing points within the platform and do not remove until leaving the platform whilst in the stowed position.



Always remain standing within the platform. Do not sit, stand, or climb on the guard rail, mid rail, boom linkage, or any other object to attempt to increase your height or reach. **KEEP YOUR FEET ON THE PLATFORM FLOOR.** The use of planks, ladders, or any other devices on the Niftylift for achieving additional height or reach shall be prohibited.

- **2.1.16** Do not use the platform levelling system to artificially increase the outreach of the platform.
- **2.1.17** Do not use the platform to lift overhanging or bulky items that may exceed the maximum capacity or objects that may increase the wind loading on the platform e.g. notice boards etc.
- **2.1.18** The Niftylift shall not be operated from a position on trucks, trailers, railway cars, floating vessels, scaffolds, or similar equipment unless the application is approved in writing by Niftylift Ltd. in Great Britain.

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- **2.1.19** Always check that the area below and around the platform is clear of personnel and obstructions before lowering or slewing. Care should be taken when slewing out into areas where there may be passing traffic. Use barriers to control traffic flow or prevent access to the machine.
- **2.1.20** Stunt driving and horseplay on or around the Niftylift shall not be permitted.
- **2.1.21** Where other moving equipment or vehicles are present, special precautions shall be taken to comply with local ordinances or safety standards established for the work place. Warnings such as but not limited to flags, roped-off areas, flashing lights, and barricades shall be used.
- **2.1.22** Before and during driving while the platform is elevated, the operator shall maintain a clear view of the path of travel and maintain a safe distance from obstacles, debris, drop-offs, holes, depressions, ramps, and other hazards to ensure safe elevated travel. Maintain a safe distance from overhead obstacles.
- **2.1.23** Under all travel conditions the operator shall limit travel speed according to conditions of ground surface, congestion, visibility, slope, location of personnel, and other factors causing hazards of collision or injury to personnel.
- **2.1.24** The Niftylift shall not be driven on grades, side slopes, or ramps exceeding those for which it is rated by the manufacturer.
- **2.1.25** It shall be the responsibility of the user to determine the hazard classification of any particular atmosphere or location. Aerial platforms operated in hazardous locations shall be approved and suitable for the duty (see ANSI/NFPA 505 where applicable).
- **2.1.26** The operator shall immediately report to his supervisor any potentially hazardous location(s) (environment) which become evident during operation.
- **2.1.27** If an operator encounters any suspected malfunction of the Niftylift or any hazard or potentially unsafe condition relating to capacity, intended use, or safe operation, they shall cease operation of the Niftylift and request further information as to safe operation from his management, or owner, dealer or manufacturer before further operation of the Niftylift.
- **2.1.28** The operator shall report to his superior immediately any problems or malfunctions that become evident during operation of the Niftylift. Any problems or malfunctions that affect the safety of operation shall be repaired prior to continued use.
- **2.1.29** The boom and platform of the Niftylift shall not be used to jack the wheels off the ground.
- **2.1.30** The Niftylift shall not be used as a crane.
- **2.1.31** The Niftylift shall not be positioned against another object to steady the platform.
- **2.1.32** Care should be taken to prevent rope, electric cords, or hoses from becoming entangled in the aerial platform.
- **2.1.33** Batteries shall be recharged in a well-ventilated area free of flame, sparks, or other sources of ignition that may cause explosion. Highly explosive hydrogen gas is produced during the charging process.
- **2.1.34** When checking electrolyte levels, great care should be taken to protect eyes, skin, and clothing. Battery acid is highly corrosive and the use of protective glasses and clothing is recommended.
- **2.1.35** If the platform or elevating assembly becomes caught, snagged, or otherwise prevented from normal motion by an adjacent structure or other obstacle such that control reversal does not free the platform, all personnel shall be removed from the platform safely before attempts are made to free the platform using ground controls.

- 2.1.36 When the machine is not in use, always stow the booms correctly. **NEVER LEAVE THE KEYS IN THE MACHINE** if it is to be left for any period of time. Use wheel chocks if leaving on an incline.
- **2.1.37** The engine must be shut down while fuel tanks are being filled. Fuelling must be done in a well-ventilated area free of flame, sparks, or any other sources of ignition that may cause fire or explosion. **PETROL (GASOLINE), LIQUID PROPANE, AND DIESEL FUELS ARE FLAMMABLE.**



NEVER START THE NIFTYLIFT IF YOU SMELL PETROL (GASOLINE), LIQUID PROPANE, OR DIESEL FUEL. THESE FUELS ARE HIGHLY FLAMMABLE

- **2.1.39** The operator shall implement means provided to protect against use by unauthorised persons.
- **2.1.40** Never remove anything from the Niftylift that may affect the stability of the machine such as, but not limited to, batteries, covers, engines, tyres, or ballast.

2.2 ENVIRONMENTAL LIMITATIONS

Unless specifically configured otherwise, the machine will have a short operational time in extreme temperatures such as in freezers or cold storage, due to reduced battery performance. For electrical cables and components, the temperature must be within the range -5°C to 60°C.

The recommended operational range for these machines is - 5° C to + 40°C. Please contact Niftylift Ltd. for special considerations if the machine is required to operate outside these temperatures.

Extended operation in dusty environments is not recommended and frequent cleaning will be necessary. All dust, dirt, salt encrustation, and excess oil and grease should be removed. Deposits of paint or bitumen, particularly on legends or labels should be removed.

All standard Niftylift machines are rated for a wind speed of 12.5 m/s, which equates to 45kph / 28mph or force 6 on the Beaufort scale. No attempt should be made to operate a Niftylift in wind strengths above this limit and if the operator has any doubts over the wind speed they should cease operation immediately until it can be established that the wind speed has fallen to a safe level.



DO NOT USE THE NIFTYLIFT IN ELECTRICAL STORMS

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2.3 NOISE AND VIBRATION

The airborne noise emission on the Height Rider range of machines does not exceed 79dB(A), measured at a perpendicular distance of 4m, under equivalent continuous A-weighted sound pressure test conditions. This was based on a diesel powered machine working on high throttle and under load. All other models will exhibit significantly lower emissions than this figure, dependant on power option. In normal operation the vibration level to which the operator is subjected will not exceed a weighted root mean square acceleration value of 2.5 m/s².

2.4 TEST REPORT

All Niftylift machine models are subjected to a comprehensive 'type test' which duplicates all combinations of safe working load (SWL), overload, windage, inertia, and pull force to assess the various safe stability criteria. Self-propelled machines are also subjected to kerb and braking tests at the SWL to satisfy additional 'worst case' stability requirements.

Each individual machine is then subjected to static overload tests on flat level ground with 150% of the SWL, exceeding the requirements of EN280 for power operated MEWPs. Self-propelled machines are also tested at the maximum working angle **plus** 0.5° with a test load of 125% of the SWL. Finally, on all machines, a functional test is performed with 110% of SWL.

All safety devices are checked for correct operation, operating speeds are checked against benchmark figures, and the dynamic functions are checked to ensure that all acceleration and deceleration forces are within acceptable limits. All noted defects are rectified and recorded before the machine is permitted to enter into service.

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3 Preparation and Inspection

3.1 UNPACKING

Since the manufacturer has no direct control over the shipping or carriage of any Niftylift, it is the responsibility of the dealer and/or owner and/or lessee to ensure that the Niftylift has not been damaged in transit and that a Pre-operational Report has been carried out by a qualified engineer before it is put into service.

- 1) Remove all ropes, straps, and/or chains used to secure the aerial platform during transit.
- 2) Ensure any ramp, loading dock, or forklift used is capable of supporting or lifting the Niftylift.
- 3) If the Niftylift is to be driven off transport, please ensure that the operator has read and fully understood this entire manual. Refer to the appropriate section for precise operating instructions.

***Carry out the Pre-operational Report before placing machine in service (Section 6.3).

3.2 PREPARATION FOR USE

Whilst every effort has been made at the Niftylift factory to ensure your machine arrives in a safe and operable condition, it is necessary to carry out a systematic inspection prior to putting the Niftylift into service.



THIS IS NOT A REQUEST IT IS MANDATORY

To assist the user in this task you will find enclosed a Pre-operational Report, which must be filled out upon delivery/receipt of the machine.

Before the user carries out the Pre-operational Report they must have read and fully understood all the contents of the Operating, Safety and Maintenance Manual.



WARNING - DO NOT OPERATE A POTENTIALLY DEFECTIVE OR Malfunctioning machine. Correct and repair any defects before Operating your niftylift.

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3.3 PRE-OPERATIONAL SAFETY CHECK SCHEDULES

Before use each day and at the beginning of each shift the aerial platform shall be given a visual inspection and functional test including, but not limited to, the following: It is recommended that these be performed at regular intervals as indicated on each checklist.

3.3.1 DAILY SAFETY CHECKS

- 1) Check that all labels (decals) are in place and legible.
- 2) Visually inspect the machine for damaged or loose components.
- 3) Check that batteries are charged (Refer to Section 4.6 for further information).
- 4) Check the fuel level (if applicable).
- 5) Check that canopies/covers and guards are in place and secure.
- 6) Check that the boom rest switch is operable (if applicable).
- 7) Check that control levers are secure and operate freely.
- 8) Check that operating buttons and emergency stop buttons function correctly.
- 9) Check the operation of the manual hand pump.
- 10) Visually inspect all hydraulic hoses and fittings for damage or leaks.
- 11) Check that the platform pivot pins and their tag bolts are secure.
- 12) Check that the tilt alarm is functioning correctly (On a slope of 4.0° or more the alarm should sound and drive should be disabled).
- 13) Check the operation of SiOPS (Refer to Section 4.3.5).
- 14) Check the operation of the cage weigh system (If fitted).

3.3.2 WEEKLY SAFETY CHECKS

- 1) Inspect tyres and wheels for damage and wear.
- 2) Check that the joystick manipulators are secure.
- 3) Check battery fluid levels and specific gravity (after charging) and general condition.
- 4) Check hydraulic oil level, ISO Grade 22 (Europe), Grade 32 (Rest of World).
- 5) Inspect hose track for damage or missing parts.

3.3.3 MONTHLY SAFETY CHECKS

- 1) Check the engine oil level (if applicable).
- 2) Check rear wheel nuts are secured (torque 166ft lbs / 225Nm).
- 3) Check front wheel nuts are secured (torque 110ft lbs / 150Nm).
- 4) Check that the slew worm is secured and correctly in mesh. Clean and re-grease.
- 5) Check the track rod linkage.
- 6) Check telescopic boom wear pads and nylon studs (if applicable).
- 7) Every **Six** months perform a **thorough examination** in accordance with the 'Lifting Operation and Lifting Equipment Regulations' (LOLER) 1998, Regulation (9)(3)(a).

3.3.4 ANNUAL SAFETY CHECKS

- 1) Check that all pivot pins and their tag bolts are secure.
- 2) Inspect for any cracks or badly rusted areas on booms and chassis.
- 3) Change the hydraulic oil filters.
- 4) Check the bushes in the front wheel hubs for wear.
- 5) Check that slew ring bolts are secure (torque 205ft lbs. 279Nm).

Toughcage

Niftylift **tough**cage is fully UV stabilised for outdoor use in the most demanding climates. However, the user and machine owner should consider the following;

- Discolouration of the material may occur; this is a natural aging process which does not significantly alter the material properties.
- Degredation to the floor may occur as a consequence of product use and effect of UV exposure. The **tough**cage's multi-layer construction means degradation of the top surface may occur over time without compromising the structural strength of the internal and base layers.
- The rate at which the **tough**cage floor ages is dependant upon the machines application and its country of use (Typical levels of UV exposure). Refer to table below for aging rate applicable to your specific area.

UK, NETHERLANDS, GERMANY, POLAND, SCANDINAVIA, CANADA, RUSSIA	14 years
FRANCE, ITALY, USA (NORTH EAST STATES)	11 years
SPAIN, GREECE, TURKEY, CHINA, USA (MID WEST STATES), AUSTRALIA (TASMANIA)	9.5 years
MALAYSIA, INDONESIA	8 years

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USA (SOUTH STATES), SOUTH AMERICA, AUSTRALIA (VICTORIA, NEW SOUTH WALES)	7.5 years
USA (WEST STATES), SOUTH AFRICA, INDIA, PAKISTAN, IRAN, AUSTRALIA (WESTERN, SOUTH, QUEENSLAND)	7 years
NORTH AFRICA, SAUDI, DUBAI, AUSTRALIA (NORTHERN TERRITORY)	6 years

Note: The date of manufacture of the **tough**cage floor is located on its underside.

Niftylift recommends that the user and machine owner **regularly** inspect the **tough**cage floor for damage. If any significant damage is found then the floor **must** be replaced. For further guidance please contact Niftylift Limited.

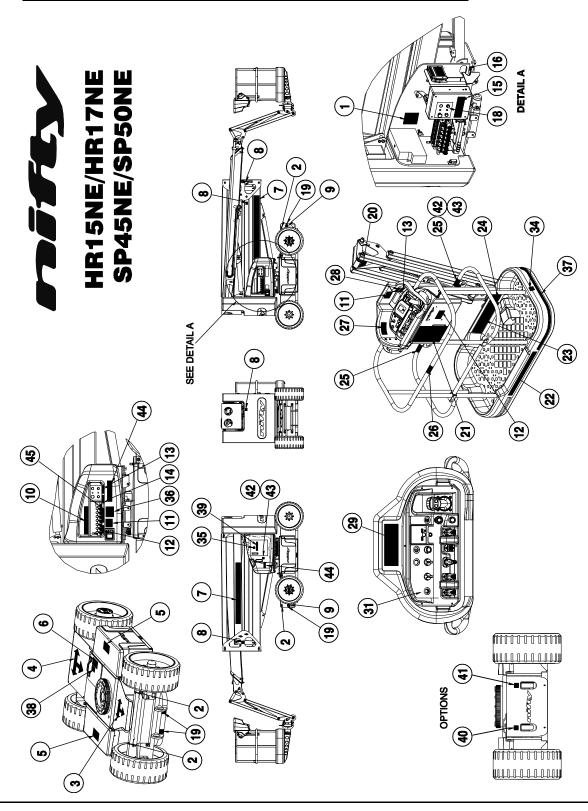
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3.4 PLACARD, DECALS & INSTALLATION (UK SPEC)

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	NUMBER	QTY
1	Serial Plate	P15383	1
2	Point Load, HR15N - 44kN	P27316	4
	HR17N - 46.5kN	P27317	4
3	Travel Direction	P27047	1
4	Travel Direction (Large)	P27048	1
5	No Step	P14785	2
6	Battery Isolator	P18600	1
7	Logo 'HR15N'	P26431	2
	'HR17N'	P26433	2
8	General Crush Hazard	P14782	4
9	Gearbox Disengage	P18811	2
10	Base Levers	P25066	1
11	Emergency Controls	P21700	1
12	IPAF 'Are You Trained?'	P22055	2
13	Read Manual	P14892	2
14	If E-Stop Disabled	P14864	2
15	Manual Descent	P23035	1
16	Level Sensor testing	P23801	1
17	Emergency Controls Location	P22877	1
18	Base Control Box	P26612	1
19	Tie Down Points	P14958	2
20	Raise flyboom	P19442	1
21	General Warning	P24900	1
22	"Niftylift.com"	P14389	1
23	Safe Working Load (SWL)	P17328	1
24	Footswitch Disabled	P14884	1
25	Harness Point	P14883	2
26	Cage Gate Warning	P18335	1
27	Clunk Click	P19961	2
28	Do Not Place Objects On Controls	P21511	1
29	'Fitted with SiOPS'	P22820	1
31	Cage Controls	P27368	1
34	Cage Tie-Down Warning	P21404	2
35	Hydraulic Oil	P14415	1
	Low Temperature Bio Oil	P23622	1
36	Daily Safety Checks	P14908	1
37	Hazard Tape	N/A	N/A
38	Battery Drain	P19850	1
39	Warning - Tank Pressure	P16365	1
40	Charger Point - 230V	P26863	1

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	41	Charger Point - 110V	P26424	1
	42	Power to Cage - 110V	P26426	2
	43	Power to Cage - 230V	P26862	2
	44	Rotary machinery	P15010	2
-	45	Auxiliary Descent	P25067	1



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3.5 TORQUE REQUIREMENTS

BOLT QUALITY/SIZE		Tightening torque in lbs ft (Nm)				
		Plated			Unplated	
Grade	8.8	10.9	12.9	8.8	10.9	12.9
M 6	5 (7)	8 (10)	9 (12)	6 (8)	8 (11)	10 (13)
M 8	13 (17)	18 (25)	22 (29)	14 (19)	20 (27)	23 (32)
M 10	25 (34)	36 (49)	43 (58)	27 (37)	40 (54)	46 (63)
M 12	43 (58)	63 (85)	73 (99)	47 (63)	69 (93)	80 (108)
M 14	68 (93)	100 (135)	117 (158)	74 (101)	109 (148)	127 (172)
M 16	106 (143)	154 (209)	180 (245)	115 (156)	168 (228)	197 (267)
M 20	212 (288)	301 (408)	352 (477)	224 (304)	328 (445)	384 (521)
M24	362 (491)	515 (698)	602 (806)	383 (519)	561 (760)	656 (889)
WHEEL NUTS	Front 110ft lbs (150 Nm) Rear 166ft lbs (225 Nm)					
WHEEL GEARBOX BOLTS	158ft lbs (215 Nm)					
SLEW RING BOLTS	205ft lbs (279 Nm)					

This torque chart is based on the following assumptions:

- 1) Bolts to ISO 898-1 "Mechanical properties of fasteners made of carbon steel and alloy steel"
- 2) For "unplated" bolts, all grades:

Hex head bolts Black oxide steel bolt with a rolled & oiled thread, no finish on steel nut Prevailing torque includes Nylock (minimum prevailing torque figure assumed) Medium Clearance holes to ISO 273 Bolt tightening condition = Yield factor of 75%

3) For "plated" bolts, all grades:

Hex head bolts Zinc plated oiled (rolled or cut) steel external thread with no finish on steel internal thread Prevailing torque includes Nylock (minimum prevailing torque figure assumed) Medium Clearance holes to ISO 273 Bolt tightening condition = Yield factor of 75%

Figures quoted in **Nm** have been calculated in Nm and then rounded to the nearest whole number. Figures quoted in **Ib-ft** have been calculated in Nm, converted using a factor of 0.737561 and then rounded.

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4 **Operation**

4.1 CONTROL CIRCUIT COMPONENTS

4.1.1 GROUND CONTROLS

MASTER PROGRAMMEABLE LOGIC CONTROLLER (PLC): - Situated under the ground controls canopy, behind the Ground Controls Station is the Master PLC. The main purpose of the Master PLC is to process signals received from **all** areas of the control circuit on the machine and where appropriate output these to a series of smaller digital modules to operate the relevant machine functions.

Also, during machine operation, the Master PLC is constantly receiving signals from the Platform PLC (see Section 4.1.2) in order to monitor Safety Critical Functions. If for some reason any of these functions became inactive the Master PLC would immediately disable the machine.

TILT ALARM: - Fitted to the superstructure behind the ground controls canopy, the tilt alarm is a solidstate sensor, which monitors the inclination of the machine chassis. When the platform is in use, i.e. Booms are raised, if the inclination exceeds the pre-set limit, it will disable the drive to the machine and sound the alarm. In order to recover the machine, the platform operation is unaffected, allowing the operator to restore drive by lowering the booms into the stowed position. It is then possible to drive back onto level ground, fully restoring machine operation.

MULTI-TONE SOUNDER: - Situated inside the ground control station is a small electric sounder, which is used to provide an intermittent beep whenever the machine is in operation. Pushing a green "power control" button or depressing the foot switch in the platform (if fitted) will energise this sounder. This serves to warn personnel of the operation of the machine. In addition, it is this device which produces a ricochet type sound if a safety critical problem has been detected i.e. Tilt angle or Cage weight limits have been exceeded;

Cage Weigh: - If the electronic load cell detects an overload condition it will sound continuously in conjunction with the cage overload warning symbols shown on the digital display (See Page 27).

Battery management: - when a low battery state is reached, the "pulsing" of the D.C. motors is mimicked by the sounder reinforcing the message to the operator to charge the machine.

HORN: - Located on the side of the ground control box is a horn, which is used as a manual alert, by pushing the "Horn" symbol on the Platform control panel.

BOOM SWITCH: - Mounted on the links knuckle and operated by the raising of any boom, this switch controls both the operation of the Tilt Alarm Sensor, and the speed control function. With the booms in the stowed position, the Tilt Alarm Sensor is by-passed, allowing the machine to negotiate slopes in excess of the permissible working angle, without isolating the drive function. At the same time, High Speed drive (Depicted by a Hare Icon) is possible, as is fast throttle on those machines so equipped. When the booms are raised the Tilt Alarm Sensor becomes activated and only Slow Speed drive is permitted. These control functions are of primary importance to safety of the machine and operator; under no circumstances should this control function be isolated or by-passed.

TELESCOPIC BOOM SWITCH: - Mounted inside the telescopic boom, this switch controls the operation of the Tilt Alarm Sensor and Speed Control function as described in the previous paragraph.

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TELESCOPIC BOOM POSITION SWITCH (DRIVE): - Mounted at the cage end of the telescopic boom, this switch deactivates the drive function if the boom is extended beyond a preset distance.

4.1.2 PLATFORM

PLATFORM PROGRAMMEABLE LOGIC CONTROLLER (PLC): - Situated in the platform is the Platform Control Station. Behind the platform control panel is the Platform PLC. The purpose of the Platform PLC is to interpret signals received from the Platform Control Station and convert them to a digital signal, which is then output to the Master PLC for processing.

MULTI FUNCTION DIGITAL GAUGE: - Mounted in the Platform Control Station, this gauge receives signals from the Master PLC to provide a warning indication to the operator for a range of functions. Refer to Section 4.3.2 for further details.

LOAD SENSING CONSOLE (SiOPSTM): - This machine incorporates a load sensing cage console that senses if the operator has been pushed or has fallen against the console. If the load applied to the front of the console is greater than the pre-determined amount, the footswitch will be disabled to increase operator safety and reduce the possibility of sustained involuntary operation of the cage controls. For further information refer to Section 4.3.5.

4.1.3 CHASSIS

MOTION CONTROL VALVE: - This valve comprises several individual components all directly involved in the hydraulic supply to the wheel drive motors.

In addition the Brake Release Valve (BRV) is also incorporated into this valve block. It is a solenoid operated dump valve, which controls the brake function on the machine. This valve must be energised to allow the machine to move. If no voltage is present, the wheel motors will not be able to develop drive torque, whilst at the same time, the parking brakes will remain engaged. Only when a green "Power Control" push-button is being used (or the Platform Foot-switch is depressed) in Drive mode will the BRV operate. If the tilt alarm sensor detects an excessive inclination whilst the booms are raised it is the BRV which is de-energised to isolate the machine.

BATTERY MANAGEMENT: - Battery condition is permanently monitored by the control circuit, such that when available power has decreased to 20% of full charge, the battery status circuit begins to "chop" the power to the hydraulic motors. This function causes the drive system to stop & start alternately, signalling to the operator that re-charging is necessary. At the same time the sounder will begin to sound intermittently and the low battery warning light will illuminate, reinforcing the charge warning. At this point, sufficient power remains to drive to the nearest power point. Should the operator ignore the on-set of the discharge warning, the "chopping" will continue until the machine is rendered inoperative. Immediate charging will then be required.

BATTERY ISOLATOR: - The battery-disconnect handle is located inside the chassis, underneath the central cover. In order to isolate the machine control and power circuits from the batteries it is necessary to pull the release handle, which disconnects the supply to the entire control system. Under normal operation, the machine key switch should be used to isolate the machine, with the battery isolator handle only being required for emergencies, in the event of a short circuit, or during routine maintenance.

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4.1.4 FUSES & TRIP SWITCHES: -

Chassis

325A Fuse inside base

Ground Control Station

- 4 x 15A blade fuses inside Ground Control Box
- **1 x 2A** blade fuse inside Ground Control Box
- 1 x 15A Circuit breaker

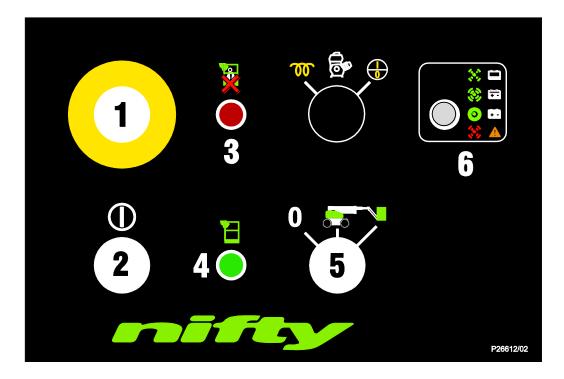
Platform Control Station

- 2 x 15A blade fuses behind Control Panel
- 2 x 2A blade fuses behind Control Panel

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4.2 GROUND CONTROL OPERATION

4.2.1 GROUND CONTROL FUNCTIONS



1 Emergency Stop	Push to Stop Operation	Twist to Enable Operation		
2 Green Power Button	Push and hold for Power	Release to Cease operation		
3 Red Lamp	Indicates Safe Working Load limit or Maximum Tilt Angle exceeded. Safely remove any unnecessary items from the platform or lower booms to stowed position and drive on to level ground to restore machine functions.			
4 Green Lamp	Indicates machine is switched on. Lamp will extinguish during a safety critical condition when red lamp (3) is flashing.			
5 Base/Platform Selector	Clockwise for Platform, Centre for Base, 0 for all power off			
	Green (fast flash) - Batteries are charging			
6 Charging Status	Green (slow flash) - Batteries are charging and between 80% 100% capacity.			
	Green (static) - Batteries are fully charged			
	Red - Fault (refer to section 4.6)			

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Base Levers

P19748/01						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

1 Operates Platform Levelling	Forward for Up	Backward for Down
2 Operates the Flyboom	Up for Up	Down for Down
3 Operates Telescoping	Up for Out	Down for In
4 Operates the Link Booms	Up for Up	Down for Down
5 Operates the Upper Boom	Up for Up	Down for Down
6 Operates Slew	Down for Left	Up for Right
7 Operates Front Wheel Steer	Forward for Right	Backward for Left

4.2.2 OPERATION

ALL MODELS

- 1) Ensure all red emergency stops are out.
- 2) Turn key switch at ground control station to **Ground** (Single turn clockwise).
- 3) Push and hold green power button on the base control panel.
- 4) Select one or more functions and operate the appropriate hydraulic levers in full accordance with manufacturer's Operating and Safety Manual. (Refer to Section 4.2.1)

Note: Move lever until resistance is felt, then push/pull harder to activate function.

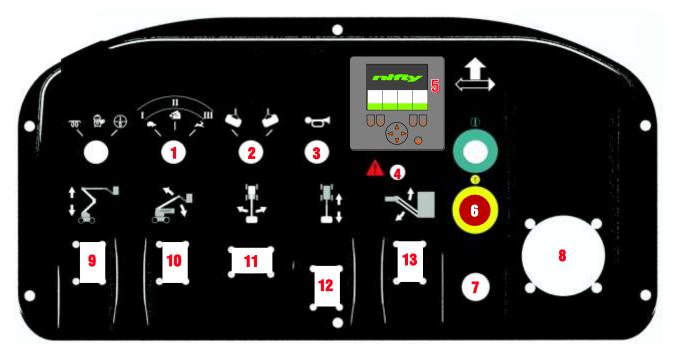
- 5) To enable control to the platform, turn base control key-switch to the **Platform** position (fully clockwise).
- 6) When not in use return machine to stowed position, turn the base control key-switch anticlockwise to the **Off** position, remove key and chock wheels.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

- 1) Push in red emergency stop to shut down all functions.
- 2) In the event that the controls fail or the operator becomes incapacitated the booms can be operated by using the manual hand pump which is located under the canopy adjacent to the base controls. To operate:
 - a) Move and hold control lever required.
 - b) Operate hand pump handle to move machine.
 - c) Release control lever to halt machine movement.

4.3 PLATFORM CONTROL OPERATION

4.3.1 PLATFORM CONTROL FUNCTIONS



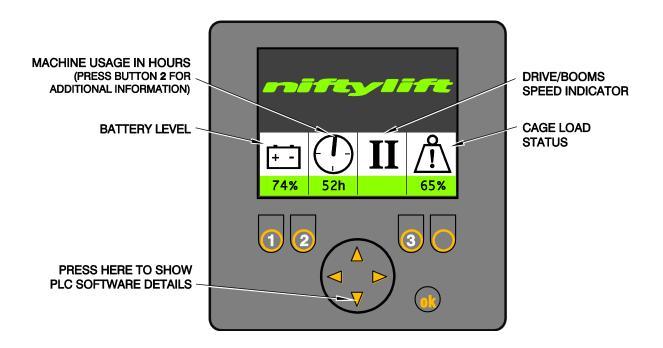
1	Speed Selector	Booms	Left - Speed I	Centre - S	peed II	Right - Speed III	
		Drive	Tortoise	Off-road		Hare	
2	2 Platform rotation		RH arrow for Anti-	ti-clockwise LH arrow		v for Clockwise	
3	3 Horn		Press & hold to Sound				
4	4 Safety Warning Lamp		Indicates Safety Critical Problem				
		(Refer to Digital Gauge immediately)					
5 Digital Gauge		See Section 4.3.2.					
6 Emergency Stop		Push to Stop Operation Turn clockw		kwise to Release			
7	7 Green Power Button		Push and hold to activate machine				
8 Joystick		Grip the joystick and hold the trigger switch at the front. Machine movement is achieved by slowly moving the joystick away from the neutral position in the required direction. Steer by using the thumb rocker switch located on top of the joystick.					
* 9	Operates the Link Bo	oms	Up for Up	[Down for I	Down	
* 10 Operates the Upper Boom		Up for Up	[Down for Down			
* 11 Operates Slew		Left for Left	1	Right for Right			
* 12 Operates Telescoping		Up for Tele-In	[Down for Tele-Out			
* 13 Operates the Flyboom		Up for Up		Down for I	Down		

* More than one function can be operated at the same time

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4.3.2 MULTI-FUNCTION DIGITAL GAUGE

Situated on the Cage Control Panel, this gauge provides a warning indication for a range of functions. For further information refer to Section 4.3.3 'Information Icons' on Page 27. During machine operation the gauge displays remaining battery charge level, cage load status, current boom/drive speed setting and usage hours.



In addition, if the control system detects a malfunction elsewhere on the machine, an error code will be displayed (see below). For further information refer to **Appendix A**.

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4.3.3 INFORMATION ICONS

Safety Critical



Safe Working Load exceeded:- The alarm sounds and the display alternates between the images shown here. The Maximum SWL (225kg/500lbs) has been exceeded. Immediately remove any unnecessary items from the platform **in a safe manner** to restore machine functions.

Alternatively, the platform may have come into contact with a fixed object, see Section 5.3 for recovery procedure.



MAX tilt angle exceeded:- The alarm sounds and the display shows this image. Lower booms into stowed position and drive onto level ground to fully restore machine operation.

Note:If a **Safety Critical** condition (red flashing triangle) has been detected, the safety warning lamp on the Platform Control Panel and Base Control Panel will also illuminate.

Advisory



Boom Function Speed: Determined by the Speed Selector switch on the Cage Control Panel (Refer to Page 25).

Note: If the ambient air temperature is $<10^{\circ}$ C it is recommended to use Speed II until the machine has warmed up sufficiently.



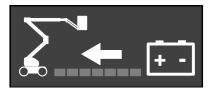
Drive Speed: Determined by the Speed Selector switch on the Platform Control Panel (Refer to Page 25). Digital display reverts to these icons once the joystick trigger is activated.

Battery Levels Low: Flashing battery icon indicates remaining charge level is <10%.



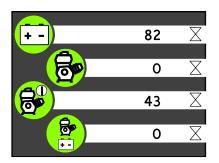
Ground Controls: To enable platform controls, selector switch located on ground controls must be turned clockwise. (Refer to Section 4.2.1, Item 7)

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Battery Power

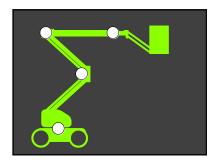
Machine is in operation using battery power.



Machine Usage Hours



To access this screen, press button **2** (refer to Section 4.3.2). Battery and Green Button usage hours are displayed.



Limit Switch Status



To access this screen, press button **3** (refer to Section 4.3.2).

A **RED** circle indicates machine is not fully stowed. If the machine is in the stowed position all switches will be displayed as **WHITE**.

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4.3.4 OPERATION



NEVER START THE NIFTYLIFT IF YOU SMELL PETROL (GASOLINE), LIQUID PROPANE OR DIESEL. THESE FUELS ARE FLAMMABLE.

BEFORE OPERATING THE NIFTYLIFT ENSURE THAT EACH OPERATOR HAS READ AND FULLY UNDERSTOOD THE OPERATING MANUAL. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN DEATH OR SERIOUS INJURY.

ALL MODELS

- 1) Ensure all red emergency stops are out.
- 2) Turn key switch at ground control station to **Platform** (fully clockwise).
- 3) Set the **speed selector** control as required. Speed **I** gives **minimum** function control speed and Speed **III** allows **maximum** function control speed.
- **Note**: If the ambient air temperature is $<10^{\circ}$ C it is recommended to use Speed II until the machine has warmed up sufficiently.
- 4) Depress the footswitch or push and hold green power button on the platform control panel.
- 5) Select one or more functions and operate the appropriate proportional paddles (levers) in full accordance with manufacturer's Operating and Safety Manual.
- 6) To return control to the base controls, turn base control key-switch to the **Ground** position (Centre).
- 7) When not in use return booms to the stowed position. Turn base control key-switch on the ground control station to the fully anti-clockwise **OFF** position and chock wheels.



ALWAYS ENSURE THE AERIAL PLATFORM IS ON A FIRM LEVEL SURFACE AND THE AREA IS FREE OF ANY OVERHEAD OBSTRUCTIONS.

ENGAGING THE RED EMERGENCY STOP BUTTON WILL SHUT DOWN THE ELECTRIC CIRCUIT PREVENTING OPERATION OF ANY FUNCTION.

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4.3.5 SiOPS[™] - LOAD SENSING CONSOLE



WHEN OPERATING THIS MACHINE THE USER MUST BE AWARE OF ANY OVERHEAD OBSTRUCTIONS.

This machine incorporates a load sensing cage console that senses if the operator has been pushed or has fallen against the console. If the load applied to the front of the console is greater than the predetermined amount, the footswitch will be disabled to increase operator safety and reduce the possibility of sustained involuntary operation of the cage controls.

Note: The green button will illuminate once the footswitch has been disabled, but continues to be available for use at all times. This allows the operator to use the cage control functions and manoeuvre the machine to a safe position.

To reset the footswitch:

- 1) Release the load from the front of the console.
- 2) Ensure cage controls are in the neutral position and clear of objects.
- 3) Raise foot clear of footswitch then lower foot onto footswitch.
- 4) Footswitch is now active and full control has been restored.
- Note: If SiOPS[™] has been activated and the footswitch is not reset within **15 seconds**, then the blue warning beacon will flash (If fitted, located on underside of the cage) and a warning announcement will sound until the footswitch is reset as described previously.

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4.4 DRIVING CONTROLS



DO NOT OPERATE THE NIFTYLIFT WHILST ELEVATED UNLESS ON A FIRM, LEVEL SURFACE FREE FROM ANY POSSIBLE OBSTRUCTIONS OR HAZARDS BOTH AT GROUND LEVEL AND OVERHEAD.

- 1) Check proposed route for possible hazards, obstructions and personnel.
- 2) Depress footswitch located on platform floor.
- 3) Set the **speed selector** switch on the platform control station as required.

Low Drive (Tortoise) - gives low speed. Off-road (High Gradeability) - gives intermediate speed and high gradeability. High Drive (Hare) - gives high speed.

Note; High Drive Speed is only available when the booms are in the stowed position. The HR15N/17N will default to an Elevated (Low) Drive speed whenever the booms are elevated.

If the machine is driven on slopes exceeding 10° it automatically reverts to **Off-road** speed (High Gradeability). To return the machine to Low or High Drive, drive on to level ground (< 10°) then release and reactivate the joystick or footswitch.

4) Select drive joystick from the platform control panel.

Push forward for FORWARD DRIVE

Pull backwards for **REVERSE DRIVE**

Steering is controlled by the rocker-switch button on the top of the joystick.

Left for STEER LEFT

Right for STEER RIGHT

The driving horn is activated by a button on the platform controls. (Refer to Section 4.3.1)

All boom control levers and drive joystick give a fully proportional response therefore the more the lever is moved away from the centre **Off** position the faster the function will become.

Maximum drive speed is only attainable when all booms are fully stowed and the speed selector is in the **High Drive** position (clockwise).

When driving with the booms fully stowed, the Tilt Alarm is bypassed to allow the Niftylift to be driven in areas where the slope exceeds the four degree working limit. In normal operation the drive is therefore unaffected when driven onto a slope in excess of four degrees, until the booms are raised, whereupon the drive would be disabled and the tilt alarm sounds continuously.



ALL NIFTYLIFTS ARE FITTED WITH A TILT ALARM - PRE-SET IN THE FACTORY. ONCE ENERGISED, THE NIFTYLIFT WILL LOSE ALL POWER TO DRIVE FUNCTIONS AND A LOUD AUDIBLE ALARM WILL BE ACTIVATED.

TO DE-ACTIVATE, LOWER THE BOOMS FULLY TO THEIR STOWED POSITION AND RE-POSITION BASE ON FIRM, LEVEL GROUND.

IF ALARM SOUNDS - DESCEND IMMEDIATELY AND RE-LEVEL MACHINE BASE.

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4.5 CAGE WEIGH SYSTEM

4.5.1 LOAD CELL VERSION

The Niftylift HR15N/17N is fitted with an electronic load cell. This load cell is a moment-independent, redundant design. This means that independent of the load position inside the machine cage, the actual load is measured and if pre-configured limit values are exceeded, warnings will be activated. "Redundant design" means that the load cell design incorporates dual channels that monitor each other. The design of the unit meets the requirements of both EN280 and EN954-1 class III.

4.5.2 CALIBRATION, INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE

Calibration, maintenance and repair of the Niftylift HR15N/17N cage load cell requires specialist knowledge and equipment. For this reason, no part of the Niftylift HR15N/17N cage-weigh system can be adjusted, repaired or inspected by the operator.

All enquiries relating to calibration, inspection or maintenance should be directed to Niftylift or one of their approved dealers. Contact details are listed in Section 1.3.

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4.6 BATTERIES AND CHARGING



BATTERIES MUST BE RECHARGED IN A WELL-VENTILATED AREA FREE OF FLAME, SPARKS OR OTHER HAZARDS THAT MAY CAUSE EXPLOSION. HIGHLY EXPLOSIVE HYDROGEN GAS IS PRODUCED DURING THE CHARGING PROCESS.

1) Recharge batteries at the end of every working day or shift.

(**Note:** To recharge batteries fully from 20% charged takes approx. 12 Hours, this consists of 8 hours bulk charging plus 4 hours equalisation.)

- 2) Plug charger into suitable power supply, either 240 volts or 110 volts AC (see Charging Limitations). (Note: If using 240V, use of a suitably rated Earth Leakage Circuit Breaker (ELCB) or Residual Current Device (RCD) at the point of supply is highly recommended.)
- 3) Take note of the indicator provided on the base controls:

Green (Fast flash) - Batteries are charging.
Green (Slow flash) - Batteries are charging and between 80% & 100% capacity.
Green (Static) - the batteries are fully charged.
Red (Flashing) - Fault (see 'Charging Limitations').



4) The charger will automatically switch off once the batteries are fully charged. It is recommended to reconnect the charger to a suitable power supply when the machine is not in use to maintain good battery condition. Charger will monitor and maintain correct battery charge level.



UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD A MACHINE BE LEFT FULLY DISCHARGED AS SEVERE BATTERY DAMAGE CAN OCCUR IN A RELATIVELY SHORT TIME.

5) The machine boom functions can be used whilst on charge. **Do not drive** machine to avoid damage to cables etc. To disconnect charger, firstly switch off the power supply. Ensure LED's are **off** before disconnecting the charger from the power supply.

Notes:

- 1) If the charger is reconnected to the power supply shortly after it has gone through its full charging cycle, the base controls will show the Green, fast flash lamp, immediately followed by the Green, slow flash lamp. The charger would then go through its complete cycle again at an accelerated rate, depending on the time difference between connection, reconnection, and level of battery charge.
- 2) Some machines are fitted with a Battery Management System, which permanently monitors the condition of the batteries. When the batteries become discharged to 20% of their capacity the management system will begin to "shut down" the hydraulic power packs causing drive and boom operation to alternately stop and start. This signals to the operator that re-charging is necessary, although there is sufficient power remaining to drive slowly to the nearest charging point.

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Should the operator ignore the onset of the battery discharge warning the "shut down" of the motors will continue until the machine is rendered in-operative. **Immediate charging will then be required**.

CHARGING LIMITATIONS

The capacity of the 110V supply must be capable of 3.5kVA (32A current); hence a small hand-tool transformer must **not** be used with the battery charger. A minimum size of 4.5kVA is recommended.

Note: Charger output will fall if air temperature is below 0°C or above 50°C.

Fault Conditions

If a fault occurs, count number of flashes between pauses and refer to table:

Red LED status	Cause	Solution	
One flash	Battery High Voltage	Check battery size and condition. This fault will automatically clear once the condition has been corrected.	
Two flashes	Battery Low Voltage	Check battery size and condition. This fault will automatically clear once the condition has been corrected.	
Three flashes	Charger Timeout. Caused by	Check connections.	
	battery pack not reaching required voltage.	Operate charger at a lower ambient temperature.	
	Charger output reduced due to high ambient temperature.	Reset charger (interrupt AC power for 15 seconds)	
Four flashes	Check Battery(ies); battery could	Check for shorted or damaged cells	
	not be trickle charged up to minimum voltage.	Reset charger (interrupt AC power for 15 seconds)	
Five flashes	High temperature. Charger shut down due to high internal temperature.	Ensure sufficient cooling airflow and reset charger (interrupt AC power for 15 seconds)	
Six flashes	Charger Internal Fault	Reset charger (interrupt AC power for 15 seconds). Return to service department if fault persists.	

Attention should also be given to the use of extension cables as power leads. Excessive cable lengths from the supply point to the battery charger will result in significant voltage drop, leading to a reduction in the chargers efficiency. In addition, inadequate sized cable cores will have a limiting effect on its current carrying capacity, which will again lead to a reduction in the chargers efficiency. Both of these can result in over-heating of the cable with an increased risk of fire, short circuits, or damage to the components themselves. A minimum size of 4mm² is recommended and lengths in excess of 50m must be avoided.

The charger requires a minimum battery voltage of 1.5 volts per battery (overall for two batteries 3 volts, for 4 batteries 6 volts for 8 batteries 12 volts and 18V for 72V). If the voltage is below these values then the charger will not function (Charger will not detect batteries to begin charge.) If the batteries have fallen to such a poor state they will have to be removed from the machine and charged individually with an independent charger until the optimum voltage has been reached. This is best performed at very low currents to 'recover' the batteries if sulphation has already started i.e. a 'trickle' charger. This can take several hours, possibly days. Careful monitoring of the rise of battery voltage will indicate when recovery has been achieved.

TOPPING UP

During the course of normal operation, the batteries should be inspected at least once a fortnight to check the level of electrolyte. During the end of charge, gassing takes place, which will cause a slight reduction in the volume of acid in the battery. This can be topped up with de-ionised water as required. During this inspection, it is useful to note any imbalance in the fluid levels. One indication of a faulty cell would be an increase in the loss of battery acid, which would then require more frequent topping up on that cell, or cells. Faulty cells can liberate excess hydrogen, even during normal operation, with the resulting risk of explosion if ignited. Any faulty batteries should be replaced as soon as possible with an equivalent sized and rated unit.

Note: BATTERIES CONTAIN ACID; therefore, protective safety glasses and gloves (Appropriate PPE) MUST be worn whilst performing these checks.

4.7 TRANSPORTING, TOWING, CRANEAGE, STORAGE AND SETTING TO WORK

4.7.1 TRANSPORTING

If a work platform is to be moved over a longer distance, whether the machine is trailer mounted, vehicle mounted, self propelled or tracked, the following procedure should be read before restraints are attached to the machine. Cross loading is most frequently the cause of problems, as the method of loading is no longer in sight of our own personnel. The recommendations made herein should be passed on to subsequent carriers, such that the entire journey is carried out without incident.

- Always ensure the truck or trailer you are loading or towing the Niftylift with can carry it legally.
- If loading by crane the use of shackles and an adequately rated spreader beam, with four leg slings, is **MANDATORY**.
- When loading or un-loading from the side of the vehicle, the use of the forklift pockets to retain one of the forks is recommended (If fitted). Spread the forks to their widest capacity, with due regard to the components fitted to the machine. Never forklift or crane an entire machine under the booms, always lift beneath the spine or under the ends of the axle mountings in the case of a self-propelled unit. Ensure forklift is adequately rated for the load to be carried.
- Once positioned on the transport carrier ratchet straps should be used to secure the machine. The
 machine should be positioned to allow easy access around the machine in transit, and to ensure
 that 'creepage' during transport does not permit the machine to come into contact with other goods
 being shipped, or the container itself. Some movement of the machine structure might occur during
 transit, which could lead to fretting or other damage.
- If the machine is equipped with a transit device such as a boom clamp etc, this should be securely applied.
- Strap booms carefully to constrain them from sideways movement. When using straps or chains, adequate packing should be applied to stop any damage to the structure and paintwork. Due regard of the movement of the straps or chains must be taken into account.
- Where a machine has designated points for strapping, lifting or forking, these can be used for tiedown duty. When they are absent, the major structure of the platform can be used, giving due consideration to the design and function of the area chosen. Where possible, use the spine of the machine or axle mounts over which to apply the holding down forces. Using a single plate, such as an outrigger or stabiliser support plate might be unsuitable. If the component was clearly not designed to accommodate a side load, one should not be applied.
- Under no circumstances should straps or chains be applied over booms or through the cage support structure or the cage itself. The relative strength of the carrying structure is not conducive to the massive forces capable of being applied through ratchet chains or slings. Severe damage to the steelwork can be caused, as well as deformation to sensitive mechanisms such as cage weigh assemblies, which would render them useless. Such catastrophic damage to say, an electronic load cell would require the component to be replaced before the machine would function.

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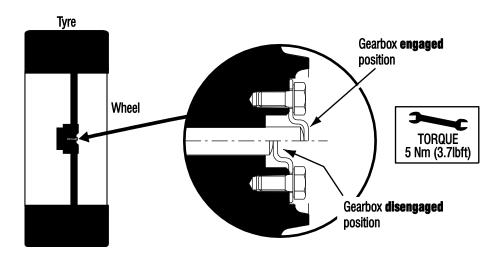
4.7.2 **TOWING**

If the Niftylift needs to be towed in case of an emergency, it will be necessary to chock the wheels before starting any of the following actions.

GEARBOX DISENGAGEMENT

In order to safely tow the HR15N/17N, the drive mechanism will need to be bypassed. The drive gearboxes located on the rear wheel hubs must be disengaged as follows;

- 1) To disengage the gearbox, remove both screws from the cover plate, turn it upside down (as per the diagram below), re-tighten the screws to a torque of 5 Nm (3.7lbft).
- 2) Before attempting to re-engage the gearbox, ensure that the machine is jacked up so the relevant wheel is clear of the ground in order to prevent damage. Note: Damage caused by failure to comply with this notice will not be covered by the manufacturer's warranty.



4.7.3 CRANEAGE

- 1) Observe all of the limitations relating to straps and chains stated above under 'Transporting'. (4.7.1)
- 2) When utilising the designated lifting points never apply a 'snatch' load, i.e. lift slowly to take up the load before raising. Similarly, do not drop machine when positioning after lifting.
- 3) If the machine is to be lifted by crane, use the designated lifting points and observe the recommendations regarding spreader beams. Individual drawings are available for each machine type, on request. (See list below.)

D80461	HR10/12
D81790	HR15/17 4x4 Mk2
D81795	HR15N/17N
D80938	HR21

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4.7.4 STORAGE

If being stored for any length of time without use, then the machine should be thoroughly inspected for the following:-

- 1) Grease all bearings /slides, worm drives, etc.
- 2) If machine is to be left on an incline, chock wheels to prevent creep.
- 3) If machine is to be left outside or in a hostile environment, cover with suitable weatherproof media to prevent deterioration.

4.7.5 SETTING TO WORK

Before use each day and at the beginning of each shift the machine shall be given a visual and functional test including, but not limited to, the following

- 1) Check all lubrication points for adequate application of grease, oil etc.
- 2) Inspect all threads for ease or operation especially descent valves, brake release valve etc.
- 3) Check level and quantity of oil. Remove any contaminants water, etc.
- 4) Check batteries for electrolyte and state of charge.
- 5) Check electrics for damage and insulation.
- 6) Using ground controls, cycle machine over complete envelope in accordance with the Operating Instructions. Cure any defects.
- 7) Ensure that all safety devices and controls operate in accordance with the instructions.
- 8) If necessary, perform a load test to establish the machine stability before putting the machine to work.
- 9) On completion of an extended period of road transport, the machine might need additional inspection to identify any transit degradation, which could render the machine unsafe. Perform a P.D.I. inspection on the unit before it enters service. Record any faults found and rectify them immediately.
- 10) If left un-attended for an extended period, it is likely that the hydraulic cage levelling will become un-pressurised. Normal operation is then lost, with a noticeable delay in the forwards or backwards motion as the booms move. To restore normal function, operate the cage-levelling function at the Ground Control Station, the cage needs to be fully levelled forwards and backwards. When the system has been charged in both directions, the cage levelling function should be restored. Repeat the procedure as described above until the movements are smooth and un-interrupted. If in doubt, contact our Service Department for further advice.

Niftylift Limited is not liable for any third party damage caused during transport. Careful attention to correct procedures will prevent many of the small snags that can happen in transit. Re-work is both expensive and time consuming. A defective machine arriving at the place of work is a poor advertisement for our product, the company's reputation and those of our dealers and clients. The responsibility for safe and damage-free transport rests with the haulier or his representatives.

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5 **Emergency Controls**

5.1 GENERAL

CHECKING THE OPERATION OF THE EMERGENCY CONTROLS EVERY DAY AND/OR BEFORE EACH SHIFT IS AN ESSENTIAL PART OF THE OPERATOR'S DUTIES

The operator and all ground personnel must be thoroughly familiar with the location and operation of the emergency controls.

5.2 IN THE EVENT OF AN INCAPACITATED OPERATOR

Turn the key switch at the ground control station to **ground** (central position). Manoeuvre the machine using the ground controls as described previously in Section 4.2.

5.3 IN THE EVENT OF MACHINE FAILURE

If all machine power is lost, the **manual hand pump** can be used to provide the hydraulic power to manoeuvre the machine. If initial movement of the machine allows the master alarm to reset, normal controls will be available. This is then the fastest method of lowering the platform to the ground.

Note: If the machine is fitted with a cage overload system, and the cage comes into contact with a fixed object whilst operating at height, this would be detected as an overload condition. All power to the machine controls would be lost, requiring the machine to be recovered using the **Manual Hand Pump**. It is sufficient for the cage to be manoeuvred away from the collision point to re-set the cage weigh mechanism, thereby restoring normal machine operation. The cage can now be lowered using the controls as described previously in Section 4.3.

FOLLOWING AN EMERGENCY DESCENT RECOVERY OF THE PLATFORM, FULLY EXTEND AND RETRACT ALL CYLINDERS FROM GROUND CONTROL STATION BEFORE USING THE MACHINE.

5.4 INCIDENT NOTIFICATION

It is a mandatory requirement that any accident or incident involving a Niftylift, regardless of whether any party received injury or property was damaged is reported by telephone directly to Niftylift. Failure to do so may render any warranty on the machine void.





6 **Responsibilities**

6.1 CHANGES IN OWNERSHIP

When a change of ownership of a Niftylift occurs, it shall be the responsibility of the seller to notify Niftylift directly of the unit, model and serial number and the name and address of the new owner within 60 days. This important step is required so that all future Technical Bulletins are able to reach the registered owner of each machine without delay. Please note warranties are not transferable.

6.2 MANUAL OF RESPONSIBILITIES (USA only)

You are required by ANSI/SIA 92.2 1990, to read and understand your responsibilities before you use or operate this aerial platform. Please read the enclosed document, as failure to do so could result in death or serious injury. Wherever any contradiction may appear, the Manual of Responsibilities shall take precedence over all other documents.

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6.3 INSPECTION/SERVICE/PRE-HIRE CHECK LIST MACHINE SERIAL NO

TOWING	PASS	FAIL	N/A
Machine secured on trailer			
Straps correctly positioned and tightened			
Wheels chocked if necessary			
AXLES, WHEELS AND BRAKES			
Wheels are secure, tyre condition acceptable			
Wheel bearings O.K.			
Brake linkages and cables secure			
Brake shoe wear not excessive			
Machine climbs slope			
Brakes hold machine on slope			
Rear hub nut secure			
Track rod secure, not fouling axle plate			
BASE			
Operation of ground control valve and buttons			
Operation of all booms over full range			
Wheel bearings OK			
Cylinders are silent			
Platform is level over full range			
Booms, levelling rods not damaged or distorted			
Booms levelling rods, cylinders not fouling			
Hoses not tight, kinked or fouled			
Operation of manual hand pump			
SLEWING			
Slew assembly and motor are secure			
Worm/wheel mesh correct, no excessive wear			
No end float of worm in housing			
Slew wheel bolts secure			
Slew guards secure			
PLATFORM			
Operation of control valve and buttons			
Operation of SiOPS			
Levelling lock valve holds in both directions, lines vented			
Operation of all booms over full range			
Cylinders are silent			
Platform levelling over full range			
Slewing smooth over full range			
Operation of boom 4 over full range (if fitted)			
No excessive movement of boom 4 and boom 3			

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TILT ALARM	PASS	FAIL	N/A
Booms raised on slope - drive disabled, siren tone constant			
Boom operation unaffected			
Booms lowered - drive restored			
INTERNAL (POWER PACK)			
Power pack and all components secure			
All cables and terminals secure			
All hose connections secure			
Hoses not kinked or fouled			
Charger/control box secure			
Batteries secure			
Electrolyte level and specific gravity			
Charger operation (If applicable)			
Hydraulic oil level			
Engine/Gearbox oil			
FINISH			
Pivot pin tag bolts			
Correct decals, all visible			
Canopy/bonnets			
Grease nipples (Feet, Knuckle, Centre Post)			
LEAK CHECK			
Cylinders (Lift, Jacks, Telescope, Levelling)			
Control valves			
Check valves			
Power pack/pump			
Slew motor			
Hose connections			
Filter			
Wheel motors			

Comments, remedial work required etc;

INSPECTED BY:

DATE: / /

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Appendix A

Code	Fault	Description	Action
00	Sounder Error	Open circuit or short circuit of the base sounder	Check wiring to the base sounder
01	Base Green Button, Bulb Error	Open circuit or short circuit of the base green button bulb	Check bulb is fitted. Check wiring to the base green button bulb
02	Drive Enable Relay Error	Open circuit or short circuit of the drive enable relay coil	Check wiring to the drive enable relay coil on the PCB
03	Elevated Drive Solenoid Error	Open circuit or short circuit of the elevated drive solenoid	Check wiring to the elevated drive solenoid
04	Auxiliary Descent Error	Open circuit or short circuit of the auxiliary descent contactor	Check wiring to the auxiliary descent contactor
05	Machine Enable Relay 1 Error	Open circuit or short circuit of the machine enable relay1 coil	Check wiring to the machine enable relay1 coil on the PCB
06	Machine Enable Relay 2 Error	Open circuit or short circuit of the machine enable relay2 coil	Check wiring to the machine enable relay2 coil on the PCB
07	Horn Error	Open circuit or short circuit of the horn	Check wiring to the horn
08	Base Angle X Channel 1 Error	Error of the corresponding analogue input during PLC start up check	Check all connections to the tilt sensor. - Reset power
09	Base Angle X Channel 2 Error	Error of the corresponding analogue input during PLC start up check	Check all connections to the tilt sensor. - Reset power
10	Base Angle Y Channel 1 Error	Error of the corresponding analogue input during PLC start up check	Check all connections to the tilt sensor. - Reset power
11	Base Angle Y Channel 2 Error	Error of the corresponding analogue input during PLC start up check	Check all connections to the tilt sensor. - Reset power
12	Fuel Sender Error	Error of the corresponding analogue input during PLC start up check	Check all connections to the fuel sender. - Reset power
13	Base Green Button Error	Error of the corresponding digital input during PLC start up check	Check wiring from the base green button. - Reset power
14	Booms Down Switch Error	Error of the corresponding digital input during PLC start up check	Check wiring from the booms down switch (Normally Closed). - Reset power
15	Machine Enable OK1 Error	Error of the corresponding digital input during PLC start up check	Check wiring from the machine enable relay1 normally closed contact. - Reset power

Code	Fault	Description	Action
16	Debug Error	Error of the corresponding digital input during PLC start	Check wiring from the debug core of the programming port.
		up check	- Reset power
17	Key switch Base Switch Error	Error of the corresponding digital input during PLC start	Check wiring from the 'base' side of the key switch.
		up check	- Reset power
18	Base ERROR IO	Error on one of the inputs or	Check screen for further fault codes.
		outputs of the base PLC	- Diagnose further using the service tool
19	Base ERROR ANALOG	Error on one of the analogue	Check screen for further fault codes.
		inputs to the base PLC	- Diagnose further using the service tool
20	Base ERROR_OUTPUTBLANKING	Error on one of the safety outputs of the base PLC	Check all connections to the relays on the base PCB and to the elevated drive solenoid
21	Axiomatic Valve Controller	The base PLC is not receiving	Check the power supply to the Axiomatic controller.
21	off the CANBus	the valve controller's 'present' signal	Check the CANBus connections from the base box to the Axiomatic controller
		The base PLC is not receiving	Check the power supply to the screen.
22		the screen's 'present' signal	Check the CANBus connections from the cage panel to the screen
		The base DLC is not receiving	Check the power supply to the joystick.
23	Joystick off the CANBus	The base PLC is not receiving the joystick's 'present' signal	Check the CANBus connections from the cage panel to the joystick
		The base PLC is not receiving the chassis node's 'present' signal	Check the power supply to the chassis node
24	Chassis Node off the CANBus (Hybrid only)		Check the CANBus connections from the base box to the chassis node
			Check address dials are set correctly
	25 Motor / Engine Controller off the CANBus The base PLC the engine not	The base PLC is not receiving the motor controller's 'present' signal	Check the power supply to the motor controller (Hybrid) or the engine node (Diesel)
25		The base PLC is not receiving the engine node 'present' signal (Diesel)	Check the CANBus connections from the base box to the motor controller (Hybrid) or the engine node (Diesel)
			Diagnose further using the service tool.
			Use the LEDs on the motor controller to ascertain the fault code(s).
26	Motor Controller Error (Hybrid only)	The motor controller has diagnosed an internal fault	(Red and Orange LEDs flash alternately)
20			1 red is followed by the first digit of the code
			2 reds is followed by the second digit of the code



Code	Fault	Description	Action
27 ERROR_CAN_SAFETY detect	The control system has	Check that there is around 600hms between CANH and CANL anywhere on the network	
	ERROR_CAN_SAFETY	detected an error in the communication between the base and cage	Check there are no short circuits between CANH and CANL anywhere on the network
			Check address dials are set correctly
28	Cage ERROR ANALOG	Error on one of the analogue	Check screen for further fault codes
		inputs to the cage PLC	Diagnose further using the service tool
	Cage Weigh Channel 1	The channel 1 cage weigh	Check the module is connected
29	Disconnected	module is disconnected or faulty	Check the wiring from the cage panel to the module
	Cage Weigh Channel 2	The channel 2 cage weigh	Check the module is connected
30	Disconnected	module is disconnected or faulty	Check the wiring from the cage panel to the module
		The tilt sensor is disconnected or faulty	Check the sensor is connected
31	Tilt Sensor Disconnected		Check the wiring from the base box to the sensor
32	Telescope Switch Error	Switch inputs to the PLC do not oppose or switch in sync	Check wiring between switch and PLC
			Check switch operation
33	Telescope2 Switch Error	Switch inputs to the PLC do not oppose or switch in sync	Check wiring between switch and PLC Check switch operation
		Error on one of the inputs or	Check screen for further fault codes
34	Cage ERROR_IO	outputs of the cage PLC	Diagnose further using the service tool
		The base PLC is not receiving	Check the power supply to the cage node
35	Cage Node off the CANBus	the cage node's 'present' signal	Check the CANBus connections from the cage panel to the cage node
		Parameters do not match or incompatible selections have been made	Check on service tool that parameters are the same for base and cage
36	Parameter Error		Check that only one type of machine is selected (e.g. Hybrid, Diesel or Electric)
37	Serial Number Error	Serial numbers in base and	Fit correct PLCs
		cage PLCs do not match	Change serial number in PLCs
38	Cage Weigh Error	Cage Weigh inputs to the PLC do not oppose or switch in sync	Check wiring between cage weigh PCB and PLC
		Sylic	Check cage weigh PCB operation
39	Links Paddle Error	Paddle analogue outputs are not within spec of each other	Check paddle analogue voltages Use another paddle to check inputs to control system

Code	Fault	Description	Action
	Paddle analogue outputs are	Check paddle analogue voltages	
40	Luffing Paddle Error	not within spec of each other	Use another paddle to check inputs to control system
		Paddle analogue outputs are	Check paddle analogue voltages
41	Slew Paddle Error	not within spec of each other	Use another paddle to check inputs to control system
		Paddle analogue outputs are	Check paddle analogue voltages
42	Telescope Paddle Error	not within spec of each other	Use another paddle to check inputs to control system
	Daddle apploque outpute are	Check paddle analogue voltages	
43	Fly Paddle Error	Paddle analogue outputs are not within spec of each other	Use another paddle to check inputs to control system
	Base set to Download The base run/download switch is set to download	The base run/download ewitch	Check switch is in RUN position
44		Check that when the switch is in RUN, pin 24 of the PLC is 0v	
	Cage set to Download	The cage run/download switch is set to download	Check switch is in RUN position
45			Check that when the switch is in RUN, pin 24 of the PLC is 0v
		The voltage supply to the base PLC has dropped below or is below 10V	Check power supply to PLC
46	Base ERROR_POWER		If Hybrid/Electric, check step down unit is operational and providing 14.3v to the control system
		The voltage supply to the cage PLC has dropped below or is below 10V	Check power supply to PLC
47	Cage ERROR_POWER		If Hybrid/Electric, check step down unit is operational and providing 14.3v to the control system
48		se ERROR_VBBR The base PLC is not seeing any voltage on pin 34	Check VBBr fuse in main box is OK
40			voltage on pin 34
49	Cage ERROR VBBR	The cage PLC is not seeing any	Check VBBr fuse on cage PCB is OK
77	voltage on pin 34	Check wiring to and from the fuse	

