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**Assessment Requirements for TLILIC0011  
Licence to operate a reach stacker (greater  
than 3 tonnes capacity)**

**Release: 1**

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## Modification History

Release 1. This is the first release of this unit of competency in the TLI Transport and Logistics Training Package.

## Performance Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence in this unit must be relevant to and satisfy all the requirements of the elements and performance criteria on at least one occasion and include:

- applying mathematical procedures in conjunction with reach stacker load chart to determine:
  - radius requirements
  - container stack height
  - ability to perform work/task
- applying best mobile practice including:
  - allowing for boom deflection
  - carrying container near to ground surface
  - container spreader as low as possible
  - gently accelerating and braking
  - minimising boom length
  - minimising speed as applicable to reach stacker stability
- assessing suitability of planned route for reach stacker and ensuring appropriate path is in accordance with traffic management plan and is:
  - clear of obstacles
  - clear of personnel
  - free of ramps or inclines
- checking container weights to ensure they are within reach stacker capacity in accordance with range diagram/container chart
- communicating with other workplace personnel through using appropriate worksite protocols which must include:
  - 2-way radio
  - active listening
  - demonstrating and interpreting hand signals
  - questioning to confirm understanding
  - signage/visual aids
  - whistles
  - written instructions
- completing the pre-start operational check including:

- battery power level as required by manufacturer specifications
- checking safety equipment
- checking signage and labels to ensure they are visible and legible
- engine / mechanical fluid level checks as required by manufacturer specifications
- presence of correct logbook
- evidence of damage
- fluid leaks
- lights work effectively
- adjusting mirrors, seat and seat belt appropriately
- locating, identifying and confirming all controls
- setting up of machine/spreader
- tyres and wheels for damage and correct inflation
- updating records as required
- checking for signs of paint separation and stressed welds indicating potential structural weakness
- completing operational checks, which must ensure:
  - determining any defects or faults with operation of reach stacker
  - hazard warning systems including reversing beepers, latch on lights and horns are functional
  - locating, identifying and testing all controls for functionality and operation to maximum extension including:
    - articulating (if applicable)
    - booming up and down
    - ensuring movements and control functions are smooth and comply with operating requirements
    - equalising spreader
    - extending/retracting spreader
    - rotating spreader
    - telescoping in and out
  - steering, transmission and brake functions comply with operating requirements
  - safety devices as fitted
  - start-up is in accordance with procedures
  - there are no unusual noises
- communicating with other workplace personnel through:
  - appropriate worksite procedures
  - listening
  - questioning to confirm understanding
  - two-way radios
- complying with Commonwealth, state and territory Work Health and Safety (WHS)/Occupational Health and Safety (OHS)/Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) legislation

- conducting and applying risk and hazard assessment strategies including:
  - confirming work area operating surface suitability based on reach stacker and task requirements
  - potential of dislodging other containers in vicinity of task
  - insufficient lighting
  - overhead hazards including electric lines and service pipes
  - reach stacker instability due to:
    - dynamic loads
    - ground conditions including condition of surface and slopes
    - impact of tyre inflation/condition
    - overloading
    - pick and placement of load
    - asymmetric loads in container
  - restricted and poorly ventilated areas
  - the risk of collision with people, moving plant and fixed structures
  - weather conditions
- confirming and following traffic management plan procedures relevant to their role in the work area
- confirming weight of containers identified for task/job in consultation with associated personnel
- ensuring risk control measures within the work area are effective as per workplace procedures
- inputting container data into reach stacker computer as required and checking operation to accurately reflect reach stacker
- interpreting and confirming relevant documentation for the work task and relevant area
- gently accelerating and braking and including:
  - minimum boom length
  - minimum speed
  - reach stacker stability
- lowering container safely including:
  - onto ground taking into consideration swing and restrictions of area
  - container stack taking into consideration alignment with other containers and stability of stack
  - rail car or truck trailer taking into consideration alignment to corner casting position/alignment with relevant locking device on tray
- maintaining three points of contact whilst accessing reach stacker
- monitoring container disconnection from spreader and ensuring pin locks unlatch from corner castings
- observing relevant communication signals from associated personnel
- observing stability of stack and container
- operating a reach stacker greater than 3 tonnes capacity to lift and move containers through an obstacle course including a 90-degree turn in reverse, using all functions to their

maximum extension and safe working rated capacity whilst applying relevant reach stacker movements in full view of the operator including the following tasks:

- lifting a container of 50% of the configuration of the MRC of reach stacker, and
- stacking container at least 3 high,
- ensuring spreader land lights are correct, container is latched on and that lock pins are engaged before taking lift
- ensuring container comes away from surface and is not locked to deck of rail car and/or truck trailer
- correctly positioning boom and spreader over corner castings of container
- lifting, moving and travelling with a shipping container
- articulating
- booming up and down
- equalising spreader
- extending/retracting spreader
- rotating spreader
- telescoping in and out
- positioning reach stacker in relevant area for next task
- receiving, interpreting and applying workplace instructions, safety information, emergency procedures
- reporting to relevant person/s on site risk control measures that are not in place or deficient
- receiving and interpreting workplace instructions, safety information and emergency procedures
- recording and maintaining accurate information relating to reach stacker operations
- shutting down a reach stacker, greater than 3 tonnes capacity in accordance with manufacturer specifications and safe work procedures
- stabilising reach stacker by:
  - applying computer stability reading as a percentage
  - deploying stabilisers if fitted
- test-lifting container just clear of lifting plane to allow for checks ensuring:
  - all reach stacker hydraulic controls and brake systems are functioning properly
  - boom length and height are displayed correctly
  - computer/weight scale is working correctly
  - computer correctly displays stability percentage of reach stacker
- using and interpreting reach stacker manufacturer specifications and data, including load charts, to enable reach stacker to be configured including:
  - boom length
  - use of stabilisers (where fitted)
- using communications signals including:
  - luff boom down – hand signals and two-way radio
  - luff boom up – hand signals and two-way radio
  - stop – hand signals and two-way radio

- telescope out – hand signals and two-way radio
- telescope in – hand signals and two-way radio

## Knowledge Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence in this unit must be relevant to and satisfy all of the requirements of the elements and performance criteria and include knowledge of:

- appropriate worksite communication procedures including:
  - listening
  - hand signals
  - questioning techniques
  - signage
  - two-way radios
  - written instructions
  - whistles
- reach stacker crane chart and manufacturer requirements
- lift impacting factors including:
  - centre of gravity
  - dynamic nature of load
  - flex/deflection of boom
  - length
  - radius of lift
  - weight
- hazards including:
  - ground stability including ground condition, recently filled trenches and slopes
  - insufficient lighting
  - obstacles or obstruction
  - other specific hazards and dangerous materials
  - overhead hazards including:
    - electric lines
    - service pipes
    - structures
    - vegetation (trees)
  - traffic including pedestrians, vehicles and other plant
  - operations on unusual, uneven or difficult terrains
- impact of factors affecting reach stacker stability including:
  - overloading
  - poor container placement
  - unbalanced container
  - articulation of reach stacker

- tyre deflation/condition
- manufacturer requirements on stabiliser procedures
- manufacturer requirements and instructions on shutting down reach stacker
- reach stacker characteristics and capabilities including spreader operation
- reach stacker configuration mathematical calculations to:
  - estimate loads
  - reach requirements
- relevant workplace instructions, safety information, emergency procedures
- relevant documentation requirements and procedures for recording, reporting and maintaining workplace records and information
- risk assessment management and mitigation strategies including hierarchy of control:
  - elimination
  - substitution
  - isolation
  - engineering controls
  - administrative controls
  - personal protective equipment (PPE)
- roles and responsibilities of duty holders as per legislative obligations Work Health and Safety (WHS)/Occupational health and Safety (OHS) requirements and safe work/workplace procedures
- prestart and operational checks required for a reach stacker
- problems and equipment faults, and application of appropriate response procedures to unplanned and/or unsafe situations
- starting procedure of reach stacker as per manufacturer requirements
- weather bureau forecasts and environmental conditions that could impact operation including:
  - lightning
  - wind
  - water on ground
  - Ultra Violet (UV) exposure (sun glare)
- workplace standards, requirements, policies and procedures for conducting operations for the mobile reach stacker
- work area suitability based on relevant ground reports including:
  - backfilled ground
  - bitumen
  - concrete
  - hard compacted soil
  - pre-contaminated soils
  - rock
  - rough uneven ground
  - soft soils

## Assessment Conditions

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Assessment processes and techniques must be appropriate to the language, literacy and numeracy requirements of the work being performed and the needs of the candidate.

Assessment must occur in workplace operational situations. Where this is not appropriate, assessment must occur in simulated workplace operational situations that reflect workplace conditions.

- Simulators must not be used in the assessment of this unit of competency.

Resources for assessment that must include access to:

- Reach stacker with a MRC greater than 3 tonnes in safe/serviceable working order in accordance with manufacturer requirements with a container spreader including:
  - rotation device to rotate container
  - appropriate extension for various length containers
  - side-shift to balance/equalise container
  - twist locks to engage and disengage the container
- appropriate container loads as outlined in the performance evidence requirements
- communications equipment including:
  - two-way radios
  - whistles
- relevant personal protective equipment (PPE)
- relevant documentation for operating a reach stacker over 3 tonnes including:
  - approved codes of practice and guidance
  - Australian Standards
  - checklists
  - safe work operating procedures
  - relevant industry standards (where applicable)
  - logbook
  - manufacturer guidelines (instructions, specifications or checklists)
  - relevant workplace documentation
- range of diagrams that include:
  - container dimensions
  - height of container stack
  - maximum reach
  - maximum weight



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## Links

Companion Volume Implementation Guide -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=df441c6e-213d-43e3-874c-0b3f7036d851>