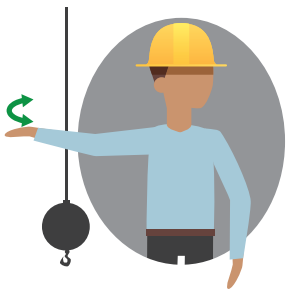


HAND SIGNALS FOR CRANE OPERATION



Establishing hand signals on your worksite can avoid accidents and save lives. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) does not have a required style of hand signals for crane operation, so you must determine and indicate what signals will be used on your worksite.

HERE ARE SOME STANDARD SIGNALS FOR CRANE OPERATION



STOP

Arm out, palm down, swing arm side to side.



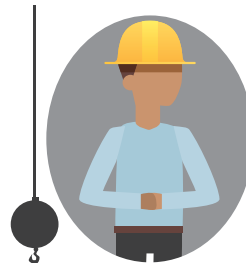
EMERGENCY STOP

Both arms out, palms down, swing arms side to side.



SWING

Arm out, point index finger to where that boom should swing.



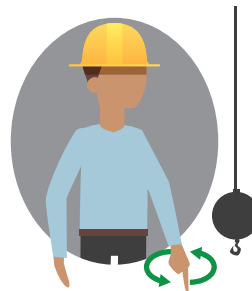
DOG EVERYTHING

Hold both hands together at waist level.



HOIST

Arm out, forearm and index finger pointed up, move hand and index finger in small circles.



LOWER

Arm and index finger pointing down, move hand and finger in small circles.



RAISE BOOM

Arm out, closed fist with thumb pointed upward.



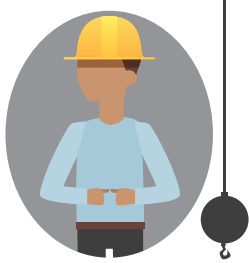
LOWER BOOM

Arm out, closed fist, thumb points down.

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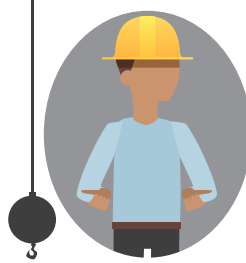
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HAND SIGNALS FOR CRANE OPERATION (CONTINUED)



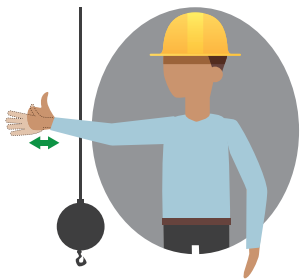
RETRACT TELESCOPING BOOM

Both hands at waist level, closed fists, thumbs pointing inward towards each other.



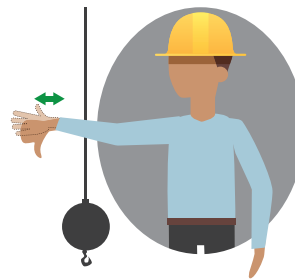
EXTEND TELESCOPING BOOM

Both hands at waist level, closed fists, thumbs point outward.



RAISE THE BOOM & LOWER THE LOAD

Arm out, thumb pointing up, open and close fingers until load movement complete.



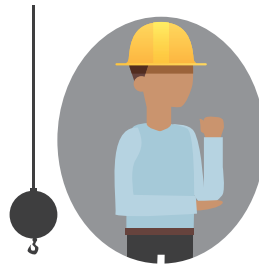
LOWER THE BOOM & RAISE THE LOAD

Arm out, closed fist, thumb pointing down, open and close fingers until load movement complete.



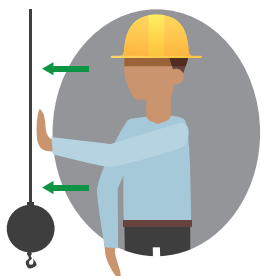
USE MAIN HOIST

Tap head with hand. Then use regular signal to indicate desired action.



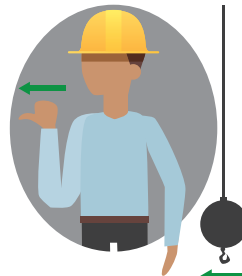
USE AUXILIARY HOIST

Arm out, bent at elbow, forearm pointing up, tap elbow with other hand. Use regular signal to indicate desired action.



TRAVEL/TOWER TRAVEL

Arm out, palm facing out and fingers pointing up, move in pushing motion until desired travel is complete.



TROLLEY TRAVEL

Palm facing up, closed fist, thumb pointing in direction of desired motion, move hand back and forth horizontally to indicate direction of travel.



MOVE SLOWLY

Place one hand in front of the hand performing the action signal.

Source:

Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)

HAND SIGNALS FOR CRANE OPERATION (CONTINUED)



CRAWLER CRANE TRAVEL ONE TRACK, MOVING BACKWARD

Raise fist on the side of the track to be locked, rotate other fist toward body.



CRAWLER CRANE TRAVEL ONE TRACK, MOVING FORWARD

Raise fist on the side of the track to be locked, rotate other fist away from body.



CRAWLER CRANE TRAVEL BOTH TRACKS, MOVING BACKWARD

Rotate closed fists around each other towards your body.



CRAWLER CRANE TRAVEL BOTH TRACKS, MOVING FORWARD

Rotate closed fists around each other away from your body.