



Palletising

Lesson 5

Master the role of palletising in food manufacture, paying particular attention to the importance of health and safety, by completing this course.





Once a pallet of product has been secured it must be labelled with the correct information about the product and then it can be moved to its designated area.





The two most effective ways of moving pallets are with a pallet truck or a forklift truck.



Only operatives who are trained on these devices can operate them safely. The training department will keep documented evidence of all the trained operatives.



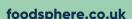


A pallet truck can be hand operated or electric powered.





A pallet truck is used to move pallets on a ground level and is useful in smaller spaces.





A forklift truck is used to move pallets from storage at a height as it can lift pallets as well as move them.





A forklift truck can be useful to move pallets if there is a large distance for the pallet to be moved. The pallet must be securely fixed onto the forklift truck.





Some food factories are fully automated where robots are used to stack pallets and move pallets on to the desired location following a programmed system. This is the food factory of the future where the safety of pallets is not compromised.



Pallets of product are either stored in the appropriate storage conditions until they are required or moved straight onto distribution vehicles to fulfil orders.





Revision Activity 5

What are the two most effective way of moving a pallet in a food factory?