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Introduction

This International Standard is one of a series of standards produced by ISO/TC 214 as part of its program of work regarding standardization of terminology, ratings, general principles (technical performance requirements and risk assessment), safety requirements, test methods, maintenance, and operation for elevating work platforms used to raise (elevate) and position personnel (and related work tools and materials).

Mobile elevating work platforms (MEWPs) are machines/devices which provide protection from falling when working at height.

The entities with responsibilities related to safe use of a MEWP are established by law in some countries. This International Standard provides guidance in the identification of those responsible.

The responsibility for safe operation of a MEWP lies with employers, managers, supervisors, operators, and others using these machines/devices. This International Standard provides requirements so that appropriate MEWPs are selected for use and positioned, used, maintained, and examined for safe use.

The safe operation of a MEWP requires the use of competent authorized persons and trained operators (see ISO 18878).