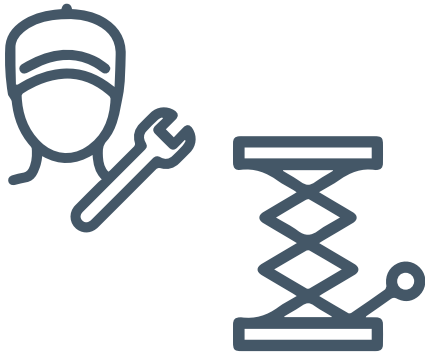




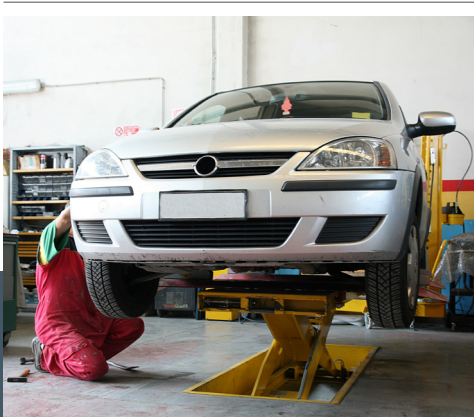
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AUTO MECHANICS TOOLBOX TALK

AUTO LIFT OR HOIST



An auto lift (or hoist) is a piece of equipment that raises vehicles. Vehicles often need to be raised to do inspections and repairs. They are often hydraulically powered, and come in a variety of models, for vehicles of all sizes. Auto lifts and hoists have the potential to cause serious injury or death when not used safely.



SAFETY TIPS

1. Do not use an auto lift to hoist or support anything other than a vehicle.
2. Never overload the lift – every lift should have a nameplate, which will have the manufacturer’s weight limit (rated capacity). If the nameplate is missing or you can’t read it, ask your teacher, supervisor, or employer to check with the manufacturer **before using**.
3. Before driving a vehicle into the shop, be sure the lift area is free of the following:
 - Workers, students, or by-standers
 - grease and oil
 - tools
 - cords and hoses
 - trash and other debris
4. Do not allow customers or bystanders in the lift area or in the vehicle when the lift is in use.

EXAMPLES OF HAZARDS

- Lift failure
- Lift used improperly
- Limbs or digits getting caught in joints
- Vehicle slipping or shifting



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