



A Guide to using your Light Rental truck With Tail Lift.

So, you have booked a light hire truck with lift? , these are a fantastic unit and you will have no problems with your choice of vehicle.

Getting to grips with your truck.

These are quite large vehicles. They are 6 meters in length and 3.4 metres in height. You must pay attention to where you bring this vehicle. Car parks typically have barriers or overhead clearance issues , so pay close attention to sign-age. Also there are a number of low bridges in Dublin, these are highlighted very well to road users, however we have had a number of these units hit overhead bridges, so be alert.

The Body and Doors. These units have a 14ft long body. There are double rear doors and a single side door. All doors have internal locks that can be opened via the additional small key on the key ring. At the edge of all doors there is a small steel rod, this is for securing the door open while loading, the rod fits into a holder on the vehicle body.



Illustration 1: 22 cubic metres of space on a car licence with a lift at the rear



Illustration 2: Double rear doors and a single side door.

Internal Lights.

There are typically two small internal lights on our vehicles. These are to assist those who are using the vehicle at night time. The lights function from a small switch located inside the body to the left of the rear doors. The internal lights will only operate when the side lights of the vehicle are on. The reason to this is twofold, 1) you will no forget to turn them off and 2) lets other road users be aware the vehicle is in use.

Fuel and Diesel

The **fuel tank** is located **underneath the body** on the driver side. There is a break in the side marking to indicate where the cap is. The cap can be opened by lifting the spring loaded tab and inserting the ignition key. The ignition key should then be turned to the left and the cap can be rotated. To lock down the cap, repeat the process.

These vehicles carry about 75 litres of fuel. This should be sufficient to give a range of around 600kms. The range do depend on driving style and the volume of goods the renter is carrying. When filling the tank of one of these vehicles prior to return it is important to keep the nozzle out of the tank. The reason for this is that these tanks are square, if you insert the nozzle into the tank, the vehicle will only fill to the $\frac{3}{4}$ mark.



Illustration 3: Lift the tab and insert ignition key

Checking Oil and water levels.

For most users this should not be an issue, however if you are going for a week or longer it is good practice to check you vehicles levels.

The coolant levels can be checked easily on the drivers side of the cab. In between the cab and the body there is a tank. This tank carries the Max and Min level markers. Simply check the tank to ensure the level rests between these markers.



Illustration 4: Coolant check: Level should be between Min and Max.



Illustration 5: Tilt The Cab: To check oil level

The oil level can be checked by tilting the cab. Before you tilt the cab ensure you have enough clearance in front of the vehicle and nothing inside the cab that could break the windscreen.

There are three short levers on the passenger side of the cab, by pulling the short lever closest to you, you can the release the second short lever. Lastly pull up the largest lever and you can then tilt the cab.

The dipstick is white and is illustrated below. The oil level should be **between the two markers** on the stick.



Illustration 6: Remove the white dip stick to check oil level

Using the Tail-Lift.

You should **never operate the tail-lift in the presence of children or animals**. Tail-lifts carry enormous power and can easily cause serious injury.

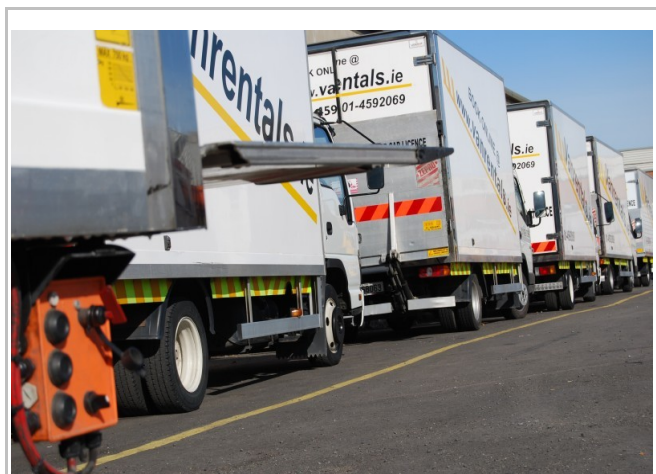


Illustration 7: Pay close attention to those around you when operating a tail lift

The external control box at the rear of the vehicle has a key socket. The lift will not function without the red key inserted into this socket and turned to the right. This red key is on the keyring. There is a safety switch at the bottom right of the panel, this is spring loaded and must be turned to the right while operating the lift.



Illustration 8: External Control Box

The three buttons in a row are the lift controls.

To Lower the lift: Press the bottom button

To Raise the lift: Press the upper button

To Tilt Down: Press the bottom and middle button simultaneously

To Tilt Up: Press the upper and middle button simultaneously

When operating the lift, keep clear of the lift and rams. Never close the lift if the back doors are not closed properly, you can break the doors if they are not shut. When putting the lift back into the closed position raise the lift first and then close it. This enables the lift to rear on its rubber mount, failing to do this can damage the mounts and sometimes the lift itself.

Finally.

We sincerely hope that this short guide proved to be of use to you. If You have any questions or need assistance in operation of any hire vehicle, please feel free to contact us 24/7 on 01-4592069.

