

Carriages

Carriages and Carriage Parts - Rated by the blade carriage lifting capacity, there are actually four sizes of hook type blade carriages. The hook type blade carriages have been standardized.

The carriage bar spacing utilized for Class 1 is around 13 inches and the Class 1 carriage is rated to hold cargo as much as 2000lbs. The Class 2 carriage is rated to hold cargo as much as 5,500lbs with carriage bar spacing of sixteen inches. Class III carriages are rated for loads as much as 10,000 lbs. The carriage bar spacing for this class is twenty inches. Class IV carriages are rated for loads up to 15,500 lbs. The carriage bar spacing utilized for this capacity is 25 inches.

Pin mounted blades differ by the amount of offset between the tine and the blade eye. Various manufacturers would differ the carriages for pin type forks. Carriage capacity would be established by the carriage pin size and by the blade size.