

Carriage

Carriages - Rated by the blade carriage lifting capability, there are actually four sizes of hook type fork carriages. The hook type blade carriages have been standardized.

The carriage bar spacing used for Class 1 is something like 13 inches and the Class 1 carriage is rated to carry loads as much as 2000lbs. The Class 2 carriage is rated to hold cargo up to 5,500lbs with carriage bar spacing of sixteen inches. Class III carriages are rated for cargo up to 10,000 lbs. The carriage bar spacing for this class is 20 inches. Class IV carriages are rated for cargo as much as 15,500 lbs. The carriage bar spacing for this capacity is 25 inches.

The carriages for pin type blades may be different depending on the manufacturer. Pin mounted blades may vary by the amount of offset between the fork eye and the tine. Carriage capacity would be established by the carriage pin size and by the fork size.