

**WORKSAFE SERVICES DIVISION  
OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY  
LEGISLATIVE INTERPRETATIONS**



<b>Topic</b>	Personnel carrying equipment - Aerial device controls	Issued by: V.P., WorkSafe Services
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"aerial device" means any vehicle-mounted telescoping or articulating device that is used to position a person by means of a bucket, basket or platform directly secured to the boom;

**232(1)** An aerial device shall

- a) conform with standard CAN/CSA-C225-M88, "Vehicle-Mounted Aerial Devices", or
- b) be certified in writing by an engineer as being safe to elevate personnel to a work site above ground level.

**Question**

Does the bucket of an aerial device have to have controls in the bucket and if so, where does it say that?

**Response**

The CSA Standard referred to in paragraph (a) says there must be controls in the bucket. When a standard is referenced, all the provisions of the standard become part of the regulation.

The reason for requiring controls in the bucket is that if an operator is moving an aerial device that is out of his line of vision, he could ram the bucket into a wall or some other hazard that would injure the person in the bucket. The worker in the bucket can use the controls to more safely manoeuvre around hazards.

Where the operator has a clear line of vision to the bucket, the problem does not exist. There are some models of aerial devices that do not have controls. Those models would fit into paragraph (b). Keep in mind they should only be used where the operator has a clear line of vision.