

Pallets and Pallet Trucks

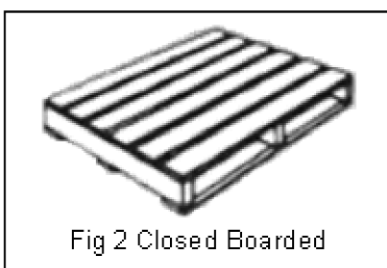
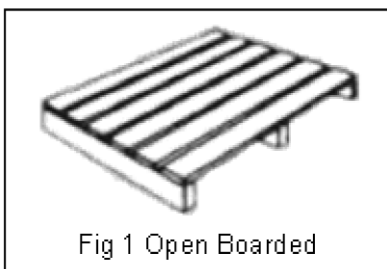
ROBUR hand pallet trucks are designed for the lifting and transportation of a wide range palletised loads. With more than 18 standard stock sizes there should always be a truck suitable for your application.

Q. You use the term 'open-boarded' and 'closed-boarded' when describing pallets. What do these terms actually mean?

A. We use the term 'open-board' to describe the type of pallet where there are no cross boards on the bottom of the pallet across the direction of entry (see fig 1).

This is typically the style of a "Euro" pallet. These open boarded pallets can be lifted with any of our range of stackers.

The bottom boards of a closed boarded pallet get in the way of the stabilising legs on a conventional stacker (see fig 2). This type of pallet requires the use of a straddle or counterbalanced stacker.



Q. I need a 'standard' pallet truck, what size do I need?

A. The Term "standard" can vary greatly dependant on the industry and should be treated with caution. There are various styles of pallet truck in use and each type of pallet needs its own specific type of truck.

Euro pallets are 1200mm x 800mm with the 800mm side being "open boarded". The pallets are generally entered by the 800mm end and transported lengthways. The narrower 540mm truck is used for this type of pallet. Most popular is the 1150mm fork length, which will give maximum support.

British, US or GKN (Blue) pallets are around a metre wide. These are better suited to the wider 685mm trucks with the 1000mm length are best suited to the GKN pallet.

Printers A2 Pallets are a particular size used in the print industry sized to A2 paper. A special 455mm x 900mm truck is available for this application.

Q. I have really low pallets and a standard pallet truck just won't go into them. What do I do?

A. You need a low profile pallet truck - these trucks are ideal for many pallets arriving into the UK from the US and the Far East. We offer low profile pallet trucks with a lowered fork height of 57mm.

Q. I want to lift 2 roll cages at a time with a pallet truck. How do I do this?

A. You need an extra long pallet truck – these pallet trucks are ideal for multiple cages or for removals crates. We offer additional fork lengths up to 2500mm.

Q. Can a high-lift pallet truck lift pallets onto a small van?

A. No, it is a misconception that a high-lift pallet truck can be used as a stacker. When a high-lift pallet truck is raised the two outrigger legs are lowered to prevent the truck from moving once the forks are about a foot off the ground. Also, even if the truck could move, the scissor legs would get in the way. A stacker must be used in this application.