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1. Which type of EWP uses a series of linked supports that form a scissor-like mechanism to raise a platform?

- A. Boom-type EWP
- B. Scissor lift
- C. Spider lift
- D. Telescopic handler

2. A boom-type EWP (category WP) is characterised by:

- A. A boom arm that allows the platform to reach out beyond the base footprint
- B. A platform that only rises vertically
- C. Tracks that replace wheels for rough terrain
- D. A maximum working height of 4 metres

3. Which HRWL licence class is required to operate a boom-type EWP exceeding 11 metres?

- A. WS
- B. WC
- C. WP
- D. WR

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4. A 'spider lift' EWP differs from a conventional boom lift because it:

- A. Only operates indoors
- B. Uses a scissor mechanism
- C. Requires no operator licence
- D. Has outrigger legs that can be independently adjusted for uneven terrain



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5. The 'platform rated capacity' on an EWP data plate refers to:

- A. The maximum combined weight of occupants and equipment the platform is designed to carry
- B. The gross vehicle weight of the machine
- C. The maximum tilt angle of the platform
- D. The maximum wind speed for safe operation

6. What is the primary purpose of the levelling system on a self-propelled scissor lift?

- A. To increase travel speed
- B. To keep the platform level when operating on slight slopes
- C. To extend the maximum working height
- D. To reduce battery consumption

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7. The 'envelope' of an EWP refers to:

- A. The protective cover over the engine
- B. The carry bag for the operator manual
- C. The three-dimensional space within which the platform can be positioned safely
- D. The canopy over the platform

8. Which component allows an articulating boom EWP to position the platform over obstacles?

- A. The jib extension
- B. The slew ring
- C. The outriggers
- D. The knuckle (articulating) joint in the boom

9. What does 'working height' mean on an EWP specification sheet?

- A. Platform height plus 2 metres (approximate standing reach)
- B. The height of the platform floor only
- C. The height of the boom pivot point
- D. The distance from the ground to the top of the guardrail

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10. The outriggers on a mobile boom lift are primarily used to:

- A. Increase travel speed on site
- B. Extend the machine's stability base before elevating
- C. Lift the machine for tyre changes
- D. Connect to a power supply

11. A vertical mast platform (VMP) is best described as:

- A. A boom lift with a fixed jib
- B. A scissor lift with extending deck
- C. A self-propelled EWP that rises vertically with a small footprint
- D. A trailer-mounted boom lift

12. Which EWP type typically has the largest horizontal outreach relative to its base size?

- A. Articulating boom lift
- B. Scissor lift
- C. Vertical mast platform
- D. Personnel hoist

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13. The 'turntable' on a boom EWP allows the upper structure to:

- A. Raise and lower the platform
- B. Lock the outriggers
- C. Drive the machine forward
- D. Rotate 360° relative to the lower base

14. What is a 'jib' on a boom-type EWP?

- A. The operator's manual holder
- B. A short additional boom section at the tip that provides extra reach or up-and-over capability
- C. The hydraulic pump
- D. The battery charger connection point



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15. Which power source is most common for indoor scissor lifts due to zero exhaust emissions?

- A. Diesel engine
- B. LPG engine
- C. Electric battery
- D. Petrol engine

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16. The load capacity of a scissor lift typically decreases when:

- A. The deck extension is deployed
- B. The platform is fully retracted
- C. The machine is on flat ground
- D. The battery is fully charged

17. What is the purpose of the platform gate or chain on an EWP?

- A. To attach rigging equipment
- B. To act as the anchor point for the harness lanyard
- C. To hold tools
- D. To prevent personnel from falling while entering or exiting the platform

18. A 'self-levelling platform' on an EWP means:

- A. The machine drives itself to level ground
- B. The platform automatically remains horizontal as the boom is raised or lowered
- C. The operator can tilt the platform manually
- D. The outriggers self-deploy on slopes

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19. On which EWP type would you most commonly find 'rough terrain' tyres and a diesel engine?

- A. Indoor electric scissor lift
- B. Narrow-aisle vertical mast platform
- C. Rough terrain articulating boom lift
- D. Low-level order picker



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20. The data plate on an EWP must show:

- A. Rated platform capacity, maximum working height, and tilt/slope limits
- B. Only the serial number
- C. Only the service date
- D. The operator's name

21. Before operating an EWP, you must conduct a pre-operational inspection. This inspection should be recorded:

- A. Only if you find a fault
- B. In the machine logbook or pre-start checklist
- C. Verbally to your supervisor
- D. Only at the end of shift

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22. During a pre-start check, you notice a hydraulic fluid leak under the EWP. You should:

- A. Tag the machine out of service and report it immediately
- B. Wipe up the leak and continue
- C. Add more hydraulic fluid and operate cautiously
- D. Complete the shift and report it afterwards

23. Which of the following is NOT a typical item on an EWP pre-start checklist?

- A. Tyre condition and pressure
- B. Fluid levels (hydraulic, engine oil, coolant)
- C. Operator's personal bank account details
- D. Function test of all controls

24. When should you perform a pre-operational inspection on an EWP?

- A. Once a week
- B. After every 50 hours of operation
- C. Only when something appears wrong
- D. Before each shift or before the machine is used for the first time that day

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25. During the function test of an EWP, the emergency stop button does not work. You should:

- A. Proceed carefully without using elevated mode
- B. Take the machine out of service immediately and tag it
- C. Replace the button yourself if you can
- D. Use the ground controls only

26. The purpose of testing the platform controls from the ground before elevating is to:

- A. Confirm all movements operate correctly and safely before personnel are at height
- B. Save time by skipping the upper platform test
- C. Warm up the hydraulic system
- D. Check if the battery needs charging

27. You discover that the guardrail on the EWP platform is bent and the mid-rail is missing. You must:

- A. Operate at half the rated capacity
- B. Attach your lanyard to the boom and proceed
- C. Remove the machine from service until the guardrail is repaired
- D. Bend it back into shape and continue

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28. An EWP's tilt alarm activates during the pre-start check on level ground. This indicates:

- A. The alarm needs a new battery
- B. The machine needs refuelling
- C. Normal operation — the alarm tests itself
- D. A possible fault in the tilt sensor or the machine is not on level ground

29. When checking tyres on a rough terrain boom lift during pre-start, you should look for:

- A. Brand name and manufacturing date only
- B. Correct inflation, cuts, bulges, and adequate tread depth
- C. Colour of the tyre
- D. Whether the tyre brand matches the manual



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30. The EWP logbook is important because it:

- A. Provides a history of inspections, faults, repairs, and operator entries for safety and compliance
- B. Is only required for rental machines
- C. Is used to calculate fuel costs
- D. Is a decoration requirement only



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1. B — Scissor lift
2. A — A boom arm that allows the platform to reach out beyond the base footprint
3. C — WP
4. D — Has outrigger legs that can be independently adjusted for uneven terrain
5. A — The maximum combined weight of occupants and equipment the platform is designed to carry
6. B — To keep the platform level when operating on slight slopes
7. C — The three-dimensional space within which the platform can be positioned safely
8. D — The knuckle (articulating) joint in the boom
9. A — Platform height plus 2 metres (approximate standing reach)
10. B — Extend the machine's stability base before elevating
11. C — A self-propelled EWP that rises vertically with a small footprint
12. A — Articulating boom lift
13. D — Rotate 360° relative to the lower base
14. B — A short additional boom section at the tip that provides extra reach or up-and-over capability
15. C — Electric battery
16. A — The deck extension is deployed
17. D — To prevent personnel from falling while entering or exiting the platform
18. B — The platform automatically remains horizontal as the boom is raised or lowered
19. C — Rough terrain articulating boom lift
20. A — Rated platform capacity, maximum working height, and tilt/slope limits
21. B — In the machine logbook or pre-start checklist
22. A — Tag the machine out of service and report it immediately
23. C — Operator's personal bank account details
24. D — Before each shift or before the machine is used for the first time that day
25. B — Take the machine out of service immediately and tag it



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- 26. A — Confirm all movements operate correctly and safely before personnel are at height
- 27. C — Remove the machine from service until the guardrail is repaired
- 28. D — A possible fault in the tilt sensor or the machine is not on level ground
- 29. B — Correct inflation, cuts, bulges, and adequate tread depth
- 30. A — Provides a history of inspections, faults, repairs, and operator entries for safety and compliance



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