PWPHW Series

User’s Manual / Manual de usuario
Safety Warnings / Advertencias de seguridad
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1. It is the sole responsibility of the Client / User to verify that the acquired equipment, products and accessories comply with the characteristics, capacities, requirements, components, accessories and other conditions for the use that the Client / user intends to give it.

2. It is also the sole responsibility of the Client / User to ensure that the equipment and products purchased are operated and maintained with adequate safety standards and by personnel duly trained in the use thereof. The Client / User is also responsible for implementing all the security measures necessary to prevent accidents or damages to people or property and for following the indications and warnings of the corresponding manual.

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4. Prowinch® LLC recommends the use of winches with 4 brakes for personnel lifting. The use of winches of 3 brakes or less or safety features lower than the best available for personnel lifting, is the sole responsibility of the customer.

5. In order to guarantee the safety of the personnel and users of the equipment it is necessary to carry out the inspections and maintenance of the equipment according to the recommended frequency in relation to its work cycle. It is mandatory to keep record and evidence the written and photographic reports of: Maintenance, Start-up, Load Tests, Training, Certifications, Inspections and Reports of failures and accidents.

6. The aforementioned reports must be sent by email to registros@prowinch.com within the first 7 calendar days after the occurrence of an event.

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Thank you for purchasing our Prowinch® Hydraulic crane. This User Manual provides important information for personnel involved with the installation, operation, and maintenance of this product. Read this User Manual before installing, operating, or maintaining the product.

1. SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

The Prowinch® Hydraulic crane is designed for a safe and reliable service if operated according to the User Manual. Respect and follow all warnings for personnel and third party safety indications. Inadequate operation may cause serious risks of injuries to personnel or damage to the equipment. Read and understand this User Manual carefully before installing and commissioning the equipment. Always keep this User Manual in an accessible place for future reference. Improperly installed, maintained, or operated cranes can be the cause of serious accidents or death. This User Manual highlights symbols and notes for caution, warning and danger. Following these indications greatly improves the safety of the operator and personnel in the area.

The compact and lightweight structure of the PWPHW models together with their ease of use makes them a preferred crane for daily use in factories, mines, sea ports and warehouses.

Always use:

- Hard Hat
- Safety Glasses
- Safety Gloves
- Safety Shoes
1.1. Crane Safety Precautions

**WARNING:**
This symbol indicates unsafe practices or situations which may cause damage to the property and even injuries to the personnel.

**DANGER:**
This symbol indicates a potentially dangerous situation which if not avoided may cause severe injuries or death.

DANGER
All operators and other users who are near the wire rope or its load must wear required safety equipment: gloves, safety helmet / hard hat, safety shoes, and eye protection.

1.2. Before using the Equipment:

- Read and understand the instructions in this user manual and all the labels associated with the crane before operating the equipment.
- Wear appropriate clothing: Do not wear jewelry or loose clothes as they can get caught in moving parts.
- Wear sturdy leather gloves.
- Wear non-slip safety shoes, a hard hat, and eye protection.
- Perform a full check of the crane. Check for damaged parts or unusual conditions.
- Secure the hydraulic crane to a suitable surface that is capable of withstanding the load being lifted with the crane.
- Visually inspect the hydraulic crane and winch before each use in addition to the regular inspections and maintenance.
1.3. During Operation:

**ALWAYS:**
- Refer to the maximum load capacity displayed on the ID plate attached to the crane, not the capacity of the hook.
- Stop operation immediately if unauthorized personnel enter the working area.
- Check the working condition of crane before operation.
- Stop, check, and secure the load if the crane stops or loses movement during operation.
- Focus on the operation. Pay attention at all times and keep the load properly balanced.
- Prevent others from stepping under lifted load.
- Inspect and maintain the crane regularly.
- Verify the correct installation of crane before using.
- Avoid contact with explosive gases or materials.

**NEVER:**
- Never exceed the maximum load capacity of the crane.
- Never operate a damaged or malfunctioning crane.
- Never operate the crane if it shows abnormal behavior.
- Never lift, support, or transport people or loads over people.
- Never walk or step on the wire rope.
- Never operate the hydraulic crane with twisted, kinked, damaged, or worn wire rope or chain.
- Never use the wire rope as a sling around load.
- Never operate a crane if the ID plate or safety labels are missing or illegible.
- Never operate a hydraulic crane if exposed to rain or water.
- Never use if operator is sick or not completely attentive.
- Never leave the crane unattended with a suspended load.
- Never operate the crane with non-centered load.
- Never operate beyond the limits of the wire rope or chain.
- Never use the crane or hook as an electrical or welding ground.
- Never remove the labels placed on the hydraulic crane.
- Never use the crane to lift load at an angle, nor pull or drag load.

1.4. Inspection, Maintenance and Repairs:

**ALWAYS:**
- Only trained and authorized personnel may perform repairs on the equipment.
- Use only original ProWinch® parts. The use of any other part immediately voids the warranty.
- Failure to use only original ProWinch® parts may create dangerous conditions for the operator.

**NEVER:**
- Never overload the crane.
- Never transport people or animals with the crane.
- Never stand under suspended load.
- Never use the crane if exposed to rain, snow, or lighting.
- Never leave loads suspended for an extended period of time. This may cause component deformation and accidents.
- Never exceed the allowable operating temperatures stated in this User Manual (differs depending on the model).
- Never expose the crane to water, sand, corrosive materials or other substances which may damage the equipment.
3. INSTALLATION

3.1 Unpacking

Cranes should be carefully inspected upon delivery for any damage that may have occurred during shipment or handling. Check the crane frame for: dents or cracks, wire rope for damaged or cuts, and load chain for nicks and gouges.

Check and document crane characteristics:

a. Model number
b. Rated capacity (tonnage)
c. Lifting length of load chain (meter)
1. Select a flat horizontal surface to install the base (fig. 1). The base must be flat, level, and capable of withstanding any load lifted with the crane.
2. Install and secure the base to the chosen surface with 4 bolts.
3. Attach the mast to the base with bolts, as shown in fig. 2. After securing the mast, attach the boom to the mast, making sure to not overtighten it.
4. Attach the hydraulic jack to the mast and boom and raise the boom until it is parallel to the ground (fig. 2).
5. Attach the manual winch to the boom and feed the wire rope through the pulley as shown in fig. 4.
4. OPERATION

4.1. Qualified Operator

Crane operators are required to read and fully understand the operation section of this manual, all warnings contained in the manual, and labels attached to the equipment.

Operator training must be provided to ensure proper operation of equipment in compliance with instructions provided by the equipment manufacturer and the provisions of ASME B30, and proper rigging procedures for the attachment of loads to the crane.

Safe and efficient operation of the crane requires an operator who exercises caution, common sense, and good judgment in anticipating the effects of operating the crane. The operator must be fully alert, focused, and aware of the surroundings at all times.

The job must be strictly carried out under the good practices defined by the applicable international and national safety standards, such as ANSI, OSHA and ASME.

This crane must not be operated by individuals who:

- Cannot read, understand and speak the language in which the security labels, ID Plate and User Manual of equipment is written.
- Does not meet the legal age requirements.
- Is under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or medication.
- Has visual or hearing impediments, or below normal reaction times.
- Has a history of or experiences seizures, mental, heart, or other illnesses that could interfere with safe operation of the equipment.
- Has not been trained for the proper use of the crane.
- Has not received and read the User Manual for the exact equipment.
- Has not demonstrated qualifications through practical operation of crane.

4.2 Handling Precautions

ALWAYS:

- Keep crane in good condition and able to freely operate.
- Make smooth movements; avoid sudden changes of direction.
- Check the function of the crane without a load before operation.
- Make sure no one is beneath the load.

NEVER:

- Use pulleys or other accessories that are not specifically approved for the relevant crane model.
- Raise a load with the tip of the hook.
- Use the crane to pull or drag the load.
- Exceed the maximum capacity of the crane.
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