

Safety instructions

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Dear customer.

GEBHARDT load carriers provide for stability, functionality and long service life.

In order to ensure safe handling, the following instructions must be strictly adhered to:

- ! Ensure that GEBHARDT load carriers are only operated by such persons who are familiar with these safety instructions. Should you re-sell the load carriers, ensure that these safety instructions (possibly as a copy) are handed over to the customer with the equipment. Load carriers are robust objects and are heavy even when unloaded.
 - In case of these safety instructions not being adhered to, there is a danger of accidents leading to considerable, often even life-endangering injuries!
- ! Always ensure that the load carrier is placed on an even, firm surface.

 Tilting load carriers may result in severe accidents!
- ! Some GEBHARDT load carriers feature castors to provide for improved mobility.

 Ensure that the castors are secured against rolling during times that you do not intend to move the load carrier. As long as the castors are not secured, always position the load carrier in such a way that prevents persons from inadvertently stepping on it.
 - Rolling load carriers may cause serious injuries!
- ! In order to be able to comfortably use GEBHARDT load carriers, folding elements are often fitted to facilitate loading and unloading. Please ensure without fail that during the folding process no parts of the body are positioned between elements which join during the folding process. This also applies as long as folding elements have not been secured against unintended movement.

 Crushing between two elements folding against each other may cause significant injuries!
- ! GEBHARDT provides load carriers for all desired purposes and will be glad to adjust load carriers to specific requirements. Never carry out any modifications to the load carrier unless they have been previously agreed with GEBHARDT.
 - Improper modifications to load carriers may lead to reduced usability, to instability and to the loss of the warranty. This may result in hazards to life and body for the users!
- ! Please observe without fail the information on load capacity stacking height etc.., acquaint yourself with the applicable security regulations of your country and observe these regulations categorically. Please also ensure that when using load carriers with a multi-tier system, the lowest tier must always be loaded first, in order to prevent the load carrier from tipping over. The stability against collapse or tipping can be ensured only indoor on horizontal surfaces. We point out, that in case of strong wind, there is a general danger of tipping or collapse at all outdoor areas!
 - Overloading, improper stacking, improper loading and other incorrect use of the load carrier may lead to serious injuries!
- ! Please ensure that unauthorized persons cannot access your GEBHARDT load carriers.
 Unauthorized use, in particular by children, may lead to life-threatening injuries!
- ! GEBHARDT load carriers are designed specifically for transporting and storing your goods. They are not designed to transport or carry persons. Ensure without fail that nobody lingers in or on the load carrier.
 - Should persons be transported with load carriers or should they linger in the load carrier, this may lead to life-threatening accidents!

- ! GEBHARDT load carriers are designed for special applications. Please only use the load carrier for the purpose for which you have purchased it from GEBHARDT.
 - Any use other than intended may lead to dangerous accidents and to the loss of warranty claim!
- ! Where necessary, GEBHARDT provides extensive operating instructions. In such cases, please only use the load carrier as described in these operating instructions.
 - Any utilization other than the one intended in the operating instructions may lead to serious injuries and to the loss of warranty!
- ! Regularly examine your GEBHARDT load carriers for damages. Have repair work carried out by qualified personnel only, using original spare parts, and do not use the load carrier while it is damaged.
 Damaged or inappropriately repaired load carriers may lead to life-threatening accidents!
- ! GEBHARDT load carriers are designed for a long service life. Should load carriers be worn out or have been irreparably damaged, they are no longer suitable for safe utilisation. Please ensure professional disposal.
 - In cases of inappropriate disposal, hazards may arise for the environment as well as for body and health of uninvolved persons!
- ! GEBHARDT produces load carriers specifically designed to the requirements of modern conveyor technology. Only transport load carriers using suitable conveyor technology and according to the instructions delivered with the conveyor equipment. Ensure that conveyor equipment is only operated by approved personnel (training course by the manufacturer of conveyor systems, stacker certificate etc.). Ensure that cranes and similar lifting equipment are always operated correctly.

 Inappropriate use of conveyor equipment may lead to serious accidents!
- ! During transport, stacking or elevated storage of load carriers, no persons may linger below the load carrier.
 - When lingering below a load carrier, unexpected loosening of fastening equipment etc. may lead to life-threatening injuries!
- ! Many GEBHARDT load carriers feature restraint systems for securing loads. It is necessary to always secure the load on a load carrier before moving the load carrier. In doing so, a proper utilization of the restraint systems is to be ensured, as these may be in tension.
 - Unsecured loads or tension belts springing back may lead to serious accidents with injuries to persons!
- During transport, always ensure that the load carriers are secured on the means of transport against shifting and falling.
 - Shifting or falling load carriers may result in serious accidents causing life threatening injuries!