Carriages

Carriage - Rated by the blade carriage lifting capacity, there are four sizings of hook type blade carriages. The hook type tine carriages have been standardized.

Class I carriages are rated for cargo up to 2000 lbs. The carriage bar spacing used for Class I is 13 inches. Class II carriages are rated for cargo up to 5,550 lbs. Their carriage bar spacing is 16 inches. Class III carriages are rated for cargo as much as 10,000 lbs. The carriage bar spacing for this particular class is twenty inches. Class IV carriages are rated for loads up to 15,500 lbs. The carriage bar spacing used for this capacity is twenty five inches.

Pin mounted blades differ by the amount of offset between the fork and the fork eye. Various manufacturers would vary the carriages for pin type blades. Carriage capacity would be determined by the carriage pin size and by the fork size.