

# General

#### Introduction

You, the operator, have a key position in your company's log handling operation. Skill and attentiveness on your part are essential for maximum productivity as well as the safety of yourself and those around you.

The operating instructions in this manual are intended to help you get the maximum use of your Logstacker, with the greatest possible safety. Become completely familiar with all of the instruments and controls. Learn the machine, its capabilities and limitations. Study the operating techniques given so that through experience, you can develop additional techniques of your own and contribute to the success of your team.

### **Safety First**

Your coworkers depend on you to operate safely. Before operating the machine, read and observe the safety precautions given in this manual. BE A SAFE OPERATOR. A good safety record can be rewarding.

### Log Handling

An easy way to understand the overall idea of the Logstacker operation is to visualize the carriage as a giant hand that can pick up, sort, spread, and deck logs (see Figure 4-1-1).

The carriage can be raised and lowered as well as tilted forward or backward.

The holddown arms are used to clamp the load against the carriage. They're also used to "rake" logs off a pile.

The kickoff arms push the logs off the tines. They can also be used to help secure a partial load.

The holddown and kickoff arms can be actuated individually or in unison.

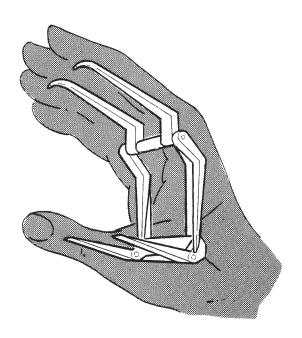


Figure 4-1-1 Carriage-Hand Comparison

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