

WAC 296-155-56415 Qualifications for operators of below-the-hook lifting devices.

**Table 40
Qualifications for Operators of Below-the-Hook Lifting Devices**

Type of lifter	Knowledge of:
All lifters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any special operations or precautions; • Manufacturer's suggested operating procedures; • Storage requirements of the lifter to protect it from damage.
Structural and mechanical Vacuum Close proximity Lifting magnets Remotely operated lifting magnets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application of the lifter to the load and adjustments, if any, that adapt the lifter to various sizes or kinds of loads; • Condition of the load, such as but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Balance; ■ Surface cleanliness; ■ Flatness; ■ Bending; ■ Load thickness. • Not exceeding the rated load of the lifting device nor the capacity of the hoisting equipment by the combined weight of the load, lifting device, and rigging; • The proper attachment of adapters to lifting for special load handling.
Vacuum Close proximity lifting magnets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charging of battery (if applicable); • The use and understanding of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Meters; ■ Alarms.
Remotely operated lifting magnets	
Recommended that the operator demonstrates the ability to operate the lifter safely and as outlined above prior to using the lifter.	

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