

B&B HELPS BUILDERS MERCHANT IMPROVES EFFICIENCY WITH KAUP FORKLIFT ATTACHMENT

North Yorkshire Builders Merchants, G.H.Brooks, has greatly improved its material handling operation at its site in Harrogate through the use of a Kaup Fork Clamp. Specified by B&B Attachments, the UK's leading supplier of forklift attachments and masts, the clamp has slip on block arms, which enables G.H.Brooks to despatch packs without having to place them on a pallet. Not only has this speeded up delivery but has also improved handling efficiency and saved costs on pallets and labour.

Prior to purchasing the Kaup block clamp, G.H.Brooks like many other builders' merchants, despatched goods to customers on pallets. In addition to the cost of pallets and labour, G.H.Brooks had to wait for a lorry-mounted crane to come into the yard before paving blocks could be moved.

Now, G.H.Brooks can use its forklift truck with standard arms for handling palletised loads, and then quickly and easily slip the block handling arms over the standard forks to lift the block packs on to the truck. The Kaup block clamps are used on average between six to eight times a day to load G.H.Brooks fleet of trucks.

"The ability to despatch block packs to customers without placing them on pallets, greatly reduces costs to our company", says Andy Broadwith, Manager at G.H.Brooks.

Highly versatile, the Kaup block clamp is capable of handling a variety of load sizes. The clamp provides excellent visibility for the lift truck driver, enabling loads to be moved quickly and easily. Indispensable for transporting blocks for loading, the forklift can be changed from standard forks to block handling clamp in just 30 seconds.

"The Kaup block clamp is the ideal solution for handling banded block packs without despatching a pallet with every load. It also allows use the forklift truck with standard forks", concluded Andy Broadwith.

Employing a workforce of 20, G.H. Brooks is a family run builders merchants operating from a 2-acre site in Harrogate. Run by the same family for over 20 years, the company is one of the largest stockist of Marshall's paving products in the area as well as handling other garden landscape material.

Established for over 21 years, B&B Attachments is the UK's leading independent supplier of forklift truck attachments and masts. From its sites in Hungerford, West Berkshire and Cramlington, Northumberland, the company operates the UK's largest fleet of service vehicles in the forklift attachment industry, handling site maintenance and repairs for a client base that includes OEMs, forklift truck dealerships and end users.



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