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How to become a salvage yard technician in California

What salvage yard technicians do, the skills and credentials that matter in California, and how to find salvage yard technician jobs.

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1 What salvage yard technicians do

Technicians receive vehicles, drain fluids, remove batteries and parts, inventory parts for sale and prepare hulks for recycling.

2 Skills and training

Handle fluids, batteries and refrigerants carefully and follow your yard's environmental procedures. Your employer must train and evaluate you before you operate a forklift.

3 Licensing

We found no California license for salvage yard workers. Your employer must train and evaluate you before you operate a forklift.

4 Find jobs on NCC

Browse open jobs below or on NCC Jobs.

Requirements at a glance

Forklift operator training (OSHA)

Required in some cases - Federal - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Before you operate a forklift at work, your employer must train and evaluate you (29 CFR 1910.178(l)).

Official agencies and links

29 CFR 1910.178, Powered industrial trucks (operator training, paragraph (l))

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

https://www.osha.gov/laws-regs/regulations/standardnumber/1910/1910.178

Frequently asked questions

Do salvage yard technicians need a license in California?

We found no individual license.

This guide is general information, not legal advice. Rules change and can depend on your city or county, so confirm with the official agencies linked below before you apply.