

## Cascade Clamp

Cascade Clamp - Cascade Manufacturing Company was founded in Portland, Oregon in 1943. They began as a small machine shop initially employing four people. Sales for their first year of operation amounted to about 60 thousand dollars. The very first recorded sales revenues involved the assembly and machining of stainless-steel valves, pipe fittings and various parts. Throughout five years of operation, the business had expanded to forty staff and their annual sales volume had risen to 330 thousand dollars. Now, Cascade is among the top global manufacturers in the material handling industry.

Design and manufacturing of the company's original hydraulic cylinder allowed this young business to aggressively engage in better business opportunities. All through the last sixty years, the business of material handling has developed into a very complex field with Cascade proudly playing a part in its improvement. Cascade at present continues to develop as the leader supplier of lift truck accessories and various related items. The company feels certain in their ability to be able to continue to lead the way in the business by understanding buyer's requirements in the future and remaining aggressive in the global market.

In the 1950's, Cascade started designing, manufacturing and selling hydraulic accessories. Construction was done in the year 1956 on a brand new office to accommodate all office and plant operations in Portland, Oregon at the company's current headquarters. Following 15 years of business, total workers reached one hundred eighty employees and sales had reached almost 2.3 million dollars.

The next production plant was built in 1959 in Springfield, Richmond. 1960 marked Cascade's initial move into the international world of the material handling industry when the business established interest in the Netherlands, England, and Australia.

The business altered its name to Cascade Corporation in the year 1964. In the year 1965, Cascade went public with a preliminary offering of two hundred thousand shares of common stock. The business has expanded its manufacturing plants throughout the United States with places in Warner Robins, Georgia, Portland, Oregon and Springfield, Richmond. Cascade products are manufactured internationally due to a lot of subsidiary operations. In the year 1944, a brand new plant was completed in Almere, the Netherlands which is Cascade's European headquarters. This facility is made to be the essential customer service centre.

Cascade further expanded their product base in the year 1996 and the year 1997 after buying five companies, which included the Kenhar Corporation, the worldwide best in blades.