

## Cascade Clamps

Cascade Clamps - Cascade Manufacturing Company was founded in Portland, Oregon in 1943. They began as a small machine shop initially employing four people. Sales for their initial year of operation amounted to about sixty thousand dollars. The first recorded sales revenues involved the machining and assembly of stainless steel valves, pipe fittings and various parts. Through 5 years of operation, the business had expanded to forty staff and their annual sales volume had increased to three hundred thirty thousand dollars. Nowadays, Cascade is amongst the leading worldwide producers in the material handling business.

Design and manufacturing of the company's initial hydraulic cylinder allowed this new company to aggressively pursue new business opportunities. All through the final sixty years, the trade of material handling has grown into a very advanced field with Cascade proudly playing a part in its development. Cascade presently continues to grow as the best supplier of lift truck accessories and various related products. The company feels assured in their potential so as to continue to lead the way in the business by understanding customer's needs in the future and remaining competitive in the world market.

In the nineteen fifties, Cascade began designing, manufacturing and selling hydraulic attachments. Manufacturing was finished in 1956 on a brand new facility in order to house all the office and plant operations in Portland, Oregon at the company's current center of operations. After fifteen years of business, total employees reached a hundred and eighty employees and sales had reached almost 2.3 million dollars.

1959 in Springfield, Roseville the next manufacturing plant was built. nineteen sixty marked Cascade's initial transfer into the international world of the material handling industry as the business established interest in Australia, the Netherlands and England.

The company changed its name to Cascade Corporation in the year 1964. In the year 1965, Cascade went public with an initial offering of 200,000 shares of common stock. The business has expanded its manufacturing facilities within the U.S. with places in Portland, Oregon, Springfield, Roseville, and Warner Robins, Georgia. Cascade products are manufactured globally because of many subsidiary operations. In the year 1944, a new plant was completed in Almere, the Netherlands which is Cascade's European command center. This facility is designed to be the essential customer support centre.

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