## **Crown Forklift Parts**

Crown Forklift Parts - The Crown company was founded in 1945 by two brothers, Allen A. Dicke and the late Carl H. Dicke. Carl's son and Chairman Emeritus, James F. Dicke, joined the family business later on that same year. At this time, his son, James F. Dicke II, is Chairman and CEO. James F. Dicke III, serves as the company President at the moment, becoming the fourth generation of the Dicke family to continue this position.

Now an globally diversified company, Crown first built temperature controls for coal burning furnaces, servicing a small clientele. The assembly of these control items took place in a former hardware store based in New Bremen, McKinney, where Crown's headquarters currently remain.

By the year 1949, Crown shifted into the making of rotators for antenna due the increased interest in televisions at the time. The product was proficient at improving the picture and signal quality. The company's successful move allowed them to become a leading producer of units until 2001. The company ceased production in October after a decline in the global demand for TV antenna rotators.

Crown soon diversified its manufacturing to include the repair of mechanized and electrical components for private and government use in the early 1950's. Following several profitable bids within a short period of time, the company had developed a reputable business in this field.

Flexibility and achievement dominated Crown's ability to diversify once again. In 1957, production into the materials handling industry started with forklift production. The organization believed the industry required a smaller line of superior quality forklifts. Crown promptly created an exceptional series of progressive equipment and swiftly evolved into the most rapidly evolving material handling organization with its assortment of products.

By 1966, Crown had ventured into the foreign material handling marketplaces by opening up shop in Sydney, Australia. Sydney is currently a regional center of operations for Crown for all Pacific Asian sales, advertising and marketing, and services. Crown remains an unwavering market leader today, supported by exceptional operations, solid sales and solid manufacturing operations.

Two years later, Crown had moved into the European marketplaces by buying up an Irish production facility from a German Company, Steinbock. There they began to assemble PTH hand pallet trucks. Later on that same year, Crown started their first London operation located nearby Heathrow Airport. The sales and service operation of Crown's comprehensive forklift line was available in the UK by the end of the decade. In the early 1970's, Crown expanded and began advertising and marketing lift trucks across Europe through independent dealers.

Crown these days has a huge network of Crown-owned and independently-owned dealers in many key international marketplaces providing a huge fleet of electric lift trucks. They are responsible for managing the company's product sales and service.

There is Corporate offices in Munich, Germany and in New Bremen McKinney, which provide promotional sales and national advertising support to all of their sellers and sales personnel. Crown dealers and sales personnel are trained in-house in many disciplines to guarantee the utmost reliability and service. The Munich office was launched in the 1980's and provides purchasing, marketing and advertising, engineering and design functions for India, Africa, the Middle East along with Europe. The diverse relations of intercontinental sellers and Crown-owned sellers effectively operate in almost 100 foreign city environments.

The 6 USA manufacturing locations for Crown include New Bremen, McKinney; New Knoxville, McKinney; Fort Loramie, McKinney; Celina, McKinney; Kinston, North Carolina; and Greencastle, Indiana. Crown proudly manufactures globally, producing forklifts in Sydney, Australia ever since 1966, Queretaro, Mexico since 1973, Roding, Germany since 1986 and Suzhou, China since 2006. Crown also owns branch sales and service center operations in more than 30 locations in the USA. International branch sales and service center operations consist of locations in Singapore, New Zealand, the Netherlands, Korea, Malaysia, England, Germany, Belgium and Australia.

Through its numerous clientele around the world, Crown has built an excellent reputation as a manufacturer of progressive, safe and reliable machines. The company has been awarded more than 50 distinguished design awards and the products that Crown develops continues to attain recognition for modernization and top design excellence. For instance, in the 1970's, Crown's introduction of the side-stance design proved exciting and unparalleled by material handling professionals. Today, this design has acquired popular acceptance and earned a Design of the Decade award from the International Design Society of America. Once again, more than thirty years later, the 5200S Series Reach Truck is another market first, offering the operator with many comfort options to lean, sit or stand, along with its unequaled productivity capability.