

# Crane Hand Signals

## Standard Hand Signal For Controlling Crane Operations

<p>HOIST. With forearm vertical, forefinger pointing up, move hand in small horizontal circles.</p>	<p>LOWER. With arm extended downward, forefinger pointing down, move hand in small horizontal circles.</p>	<p>USE MAIN HOIST. Tap fist on head; then use regular signals.</p>
<p>USE WHIPLINE. (Auxiliary Hoist). Tap elbow with one hand; then use regular signals.</p>	<p>RAISE BOOM. Arm extended, fingers closed, thumb pointing upward.</p>	<p>LOWER BOOM. Arm extended, fingers closed, thumb pointing downward.</p>
<p>MOVE SLOWLY. Use one hand to give any motion signal and place other hand motionless in front of hand giving the motion signal. (Hoist slowly shown as example.)</p>	<p>RAISE THE BOOM AND LOWER THE LOAD. Arm extended, fingers closed, thumb pointing upward, other arm bent slightly with forefinger pointing down and rotate hand in horizontal circles.</p>	<p>LOWER THE BOOM AND RAISE THE LOAD. Arm extended, fingers closed, thumb pointing downward, other arm with forearm vertical, forefinger pointing upward and rotate hand in horizontal circles.</p>



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