

## Cascade Clamps

Cascade Clamps - Cascade Manufacturing Company was founded in Portland, Oregon in the year 1943. They started out as a small machine shop at first employing four individuals. Sales for their first year of operation amounted to about \$60,000. The first recorded sales revenues involved the assembly and machining of stainless-steel valves, pipe fittings and various parts. During 5 years of operation, the business had expanded to 40 staff and their yearly sales volume had increased to \$330,000. Nowadays, Cascade is amongst the leading international manufacturers within the material handling business.

Production and design of the company's first hydraulic cylinder paved the way in Cascade's aggressive quest of better business possibilities. During the last 60 years, the material handling trade has matured into a highly complex area and Cascade has proudly played a part on this growth. Cascade at the moment continues to develop as the leader supplier of lift truck attachments and different related items. The business feels certain in their capability to be able to continue to lead the way in the business by understanding buyer's requirements in the future and remaining competitive in the international market.

In the 1950's, Cascade began designing, fabricating and advertising hydraulic accessories. Manufacturing was completed in 1956 on a brand new office to house all the office and plant operations in Portland, Oregon at the company's current center of operations. Subsequent to fifteen years of business, total staff reached 180 workers and sales had reached nearly 2.3 million dollars.

A second production plant was built in the year 1959 in Springfield, Ohio. 1960 marked Cascade's initial transfer into the global world of the material handling industry when the business established interest in England, Australia, and the Netherlands.

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 company has expanded its production facilities throughout the U.S. with locations in Warner Robins, Georgia, Portland, Oregon and Springfield, Ohio. Cascade merchandise are made globally thanks to numerous subsidiary operations. In the year 1944, a new facility was completed in Almere, the Netherlands which is Cascade's European head office. This plant is built to be the essential customer service centre.

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