

## Cascade Clamp

Cascade Clamps - Cascade Manufacturing Company was founded in Portland, Oregon in 1943. They started out as a small machine shop initially hiring four people. Sales for their first year of operation amounted to about \$60,000. The very first recorded sales revenues involved the assembly and machining of stainless-steel valves, pipe fittings and different components. Within five years of operation, the business had expanded to forty employees and their annual sales volume had risen to 330 thousand dollars. Today, Cascade is among the top global producers in the material handling business.

Design and production of the company's first hydraulic cylinder allowed this young company to aggressively engage in better business possibilities. All through the last 60 years, the trade of material handling has grown into a very sophisticated area with Cascade proudly playing a part in its development. Cascade at present continues to grow as the best supplier of lift truck attachments and numerous associated products. The business feels assured in their ability to be able to continue to lead the way within the business by understanding customer's needs in the future and remaining competitive in the international market.

During the 1950's, Cascade started to manufacture, design, and advertise its hydraulic attachments. A brand new facility was constructed in the year 1956, so as to house all of the plant operations and offices in Portland, Oregon, which continues to be the company's present center of operations. Following 15 years of business, total employees reached one hundred eighty employees and sales had reached nearly 2.3 million dollars.

The next production plant was built in 1959 in Springfield, Ohio. nineteen sixty marked Cascade's preliminary move into the global world of the material handling industry while the company recognized interest in Australia, the Netherlands and England.

The company 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 production plants throughout the U.S. with areas in Portland, Oregon, Springfield, Ohio, and Warner Robins, Georgia. Cascade products are made globally because of lots of subsidiary operations. In 1994, a new facility was completed in Almere, the Netherlands which is Cascade's European headquarters. This plant is built to be the ultimate customer support centre.

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