



## Bidvest Materials Handling / Lifting Africa magazine

### **BMH takes another leap – on a three-wheeler**

*Bidvest Materials Handling (BMH) now boasts an electric-powered counterbalance forklift which won two prestigious awards.*

**UniCarriers® TX3** – mild-mannered, brutal efficiency.

Iconic South African group Bidvest is giving its extensive South African footprint further traction with cutting-edge strides made by its commercial products division, Bidvest Materials Handling (BMH).

One of BMH's recent additions is the Red Dot Award-winning, three-wheel UniCarriers TX3 forklift. The Red Dot is an international competition recognising achievements in product innovation and evolution. In 2018, the Design Concept Award received a record 5,640 entries from 55 countries.

A year later the TX3 again took the honours, this time as winner in the counterbalance truck category of the International Forklift of the Year (IFOY) Award 2019. The judges had high praise for its performance and handling efficiency and particularly raved about its intuitive ergonomics and excellent visibility.

The word is out, the TX3's formidable pedigree of function, design and safety gives it more street-cred than any other forklift truck in its class.

The striking exterior and cabin was sketched with the best of modern ergonomics in mind, while its highly manoeuvrable performance in confined areas will leave other trucks in their parking spaces. All aspects of the truck's movement speed – whether you're lifting, tilting or driving – are automatically optimised based on load, lift height and tilt angle.

With the TX3, protecting the driver also comes first, which allows one to fully focus on maximising its work potential. And, its quick entry/exit steps and wide, flat floors are specifically designed to help reduce the risk of strain injuries.

Not only is the TX3's operation natural and effortless, it further employs the UniCarriers' ProVision concept, which provides drivers with a 360° view – to the sides, through the mast and as far down as the load's corners. This is made possible due to its transparent front panel – a feature which could soon become the new standard in the forklift world.

Other benefits include its low cost of ownership and increased runtime capacity. It can operate for up to 16 hours in some of the toughest working environments. Testing throughout various industries have shown the TX3 as consistently capable of 14 hrs plus (thanks to those super-quick-to-charge lithium ion batteries with their 10-year lifespan).

It's also one of the quietest and environment-friendliest machines in its class. The 1.6T model for instance, only consumes 4.2 kWh per hour, while its unique hydraulic levers give it an air of silent and relaxed efficiency.

The TX3 is such an impressive worker it was even used as the go-to model at the UK's Forklift Operator of the Year event in 2018.

*The BMH leap...*

Following the integration of TCM and Nissan Forklift back in 2013, the UniCarriers brand has been offering the market over a century's worth of combined experience – and product value that's long been considered among the best. Having adopted UniCarriers' portfolio of forklifts that set the standard for reliability and uptime, BMH now keeps adding exciting products to its arsenal, thereby cementing its position as prime mover across various sectors.

With the addition of the TX3, BMH has just taken another industry leap.

*If you focus on results, you will never change. If you focus on change, you will get results.* -**UniCarriers®**

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