# **5 MAKE YOUR NEXT CONCRETE JOB EASIER**



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#### HAVE YOU EVER HELPED TO POUR A CONCRETE SLAB?

If so, you know the work is back-breaking!

Pushing heavy wheelbarrows over uneven ground, shoveling and raking concrete, placing rebar, and finishing the concrete are just a few of the tasks you'll have to accomplish.

On top of it all, you have to do the job quickly before the concrete begins to harden.

At Gra-Rock we want to help you avoid the panicked, grueling working that accompanies many concrete pours.

How?

By utilizing concrete pumping. Let's find out how it works, and how it will have you cranking out quality concrete jobs in no time!



PUMP CONCRETE OVER OBSTACLES

Do you want to run an obstacle course? Just head to a construction site!

There are piles of trash, lumber, cement blocks, machinery, and people to work around. Beyond that, the ground itself is often unexcavated which means the terrain is rocky and completely unpredictable.

If that's not enough, many concrete pours take place in tough to get places:

•A concrete footer is often in a ditch.

• Concrete trucks are heavy so any ground that is wet has to be avoided. That means trucks often can't access the exact area that is being poured.

• Large slabs of concrete are too big for a concrete truck to reach with its chute. Wheelbarrows have to be used to transport the concrete.

But worst of all is when there is an obstacle you have to go over.

After all, you can't wheelbarrow concrete over a wall!

Thankfully, concrete pump trucks come equipped with a long boom that can reach almost everywhere on a job site. And thanks to the "pump" portion of this technology, concrete can even go over obstacles!

Next time you have a nasty obstacle you have to go over during a concrete pour, call in a pump truck. It will save you tons of hard work and frustration!



## **2** PRECISE CONCRETE POURING

On occasion, a concrete truck is able to pull right where it needs to so it can deposit the concrete at the right spot.

However, this is only partially helpful when doing a large concrete pour.

For example:

If you are pouring a slab for a pole barn or foundation for a house, it is very likely that the concrete truck will not be able to reach all the corners of the form - even if it can pull right up to the jobsite.

That's where a pump truck comes in handy.

A pump truck can reach all the corners of a large concrete pour, and you can ditch the wheelbarrows.



### **3** FILL TALL OBJECTS



Concrete is one of the most popular construction materials in use - and for good reason!

It's relatively cheap and very strong!

As such a popular construction material, concrete is used in many different scenarios from flat garage floors to basement walls and structural posts in commercial buildings.

If you need to create an elevated concrete post, or pour concrete walls, a normal concrete truck will never work.

However, a concrete pump truck makes the job easy! Direct the boom to whichever object needs to be filled, and let the truck do the work!



### **4** TRUCKS DON'T GET STUCK IN THE MUD

#### What do you want to do after a long day of tiring work?

We all have different activities and hobbies, but likely you want to relax doing something you love.

The same is true for concrete contractors and concrete truck drivers. After all the concrete is finally poured, you want to sit down in the shade and crack open a cold drink.

Often enough that's not the case though.



On muddy jobsites, it's very common for a heavy concrete truck to get stuck in the mud. Sometimes it can take a long time to get the truck on its way again.

Talk about frustrating!

Thankfully, it doesn't have to be that way with concrete pump trucks.

You don't have to waste time finding the perfect route through all the mud and debris of a jobsite only to have the truck get stuck in the end.

Just position the truck where the ground is firm, and pump the concrete to wherever it needs to go. It's truly that easy!



### **5** SAVE TIME AND MONEY ON MACHINERY

There's two things people are always trying to save: time and money.

A concrete pump truck can help you do both!

A pump truck saves you time by getting the concrete where it needs to go with no extra work. No wheelbarrowing concrete, no cleaning up junk piles on the job site so the truck can get where it needs to go, and no worrying about high obstacles.

A pump truck also saves you money on machinery.

Without a pump truck, a fleet of wheelbarrows and sometimes skid steers are needed to transport the concrete.

On top of that, each wheelbarrow and excavator also needs an operator - and that operator deserves to be paid.

When you use a pump truck you require less machinery, and as a result, less manpower as well.



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#### CONCLUSION

Pouring concrete can be hard work - and when it goes wrong it's hard to reverse your mistakes.

Thankfully you can focus on doing a good job instead of frantically trying to get the concrete where it needs to go when you use a pump truck.

Allow yourself the pleasure of working a concrete job that is stress-free instead of filled with panic.

If you are looking for a concrete pump truck in the Central Indiana area, contact Gra-Rock! We'll put our proven mixes and designs, plus our years of experience to work to make sure you get the perfect concrete.

#### And working with us is easy!

**1.** Start by contacting us! We have contractor rates available.

- 2. Schedule a delivery.
- 3. Get your concrete delivery on time.

Contact us today! We look forward to working with you.



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