For more than a century, Columbus McKinnon has manufactured and supplied high-quality, high-performing hoists to customers for everything from mining operations to metals production. Drawing on this expertise and the technology of our well-known Yale® and Magnetek® brands, we designed and built the Yale YK™ electric wire rope hoist for optimal performance, reliability, and long life.

We’ve made customization easy. The Yale YK is available with a variety of capacities, lifts, and configurations that can be customized with optional features to meet environmental conditions. These options, such as spark-resistant wheels for hazardous atmospheres and rain covers for outdoor use, can be easily specified through the use of our online Compass™ configurator. Yale YK hoists are also available in complete crane kit solutions for quick and easy assembly and installation. YK hoists with our most commonly requested options ship fast from our facility in Wadesboro, NC, so you won’t need to sacrifice features for short lead times.

Working together with our network of authorized, crane-builder partners, Columbus McKinnon provides you with the lifting solutions you need when you need them. We are here to support you before, during, and after the sale with a team of knowledgeable application and product specialists, responsive customer service teams, and professional trainers.
WHAT DOES THE YALE YK BRING TO YOUR APPLICATION?

When you need quality and performance in a wire rope hoist, turn to the Yale YK from Columbus McKinnon. The Yale YK delivers the industry-leading technology and safety you need for your lifting applications in a compact, easy-to-maintain design. Precision engineered, these hoists are built for reliable operation, high efficiency, and long service life and are competitively priced for the U.S. market. Operators, crane manufacturers, and system manufacturers can benefit from the hoist’s modular system that allows for configuration of the hoist and crane system to meet exact application needs. Complete with a low-headroom trolley, the Yale YK is ideal for applications with space limitations.

WIDE RANGE OF CAPACITIES AND LIFTS
Monorail units up to 30 tons and top-running, double-girder units up to 55 tons. Standard lifts up to 131 ft. Metric rated models also available.

FLEXIBLE CONFIGURATIONS
Hoists can be configured to your unique application needs. Available in 5 frame sizes with 16 load capacity variants.

SHORT LEAD TIMES
You’ll get the high-quality product you need, fast. Assembled in Wadesboro, North Carolina, our most commonly requested models feature short lead times to meet tight deadlines.

COMPACT DESIGN
Exceptionally short approach allows for optimum use of work area when space is limited. Paddle limit switch allows for lowest headroom possible while maintaining safe operation.* Low-headroom monorail units are extremely compact due to U-shape design.

LOW MAINTENANCE
High-quality components designed for safety and longevity, providing you with minimal downtime and a low total cost of ownership. Local availability of common spare parts means that your products can be serviced quickly, helping to reduce downtime.

EXTENSIVE SAFETY FEATURES
Standard safety features include paddle limit switch*, adjustable geared limit switch, motor temperature control, and overload protection.

SMOOTH OPERATION
With an integrated motor management module and flywheel trolley motors, the YK features extremely smooth starting and braking with controlled starts and stops for extended brake life.

RELIABLE PERFORMANCE IN HEAVY-DUTY APPLICATIONS
Hoists available with H3, H4, and H4+ duty cycles.

COMPLIANCE WITH INDUSTRY STANDARDS
Hoists meet CMAA and HMI standards. CSA labeled. Explosion-protected models available in compliance with NEC guidelines.

*Currently, paddle limit switch is standard on monorail units with flange widths less than 12” (300mm)
THE ANATOMY OF THE YALE YK WIRE ROPE HOIST

You can work with confidence knowing the technology behind the Yale YK is designed to the highest industry standards. Working together, these low-maintenance components provide best-in-class performance, high efficiency, and long service life for any application.

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Combining reliable, high-tech control and monitoring technology with the Yale YK’s industry-leading design creates a one-of-a-kind, intelligent hoist for all your lifting applications. The Yale YK comes standard with SLE/SMC control and motor management. This system monitors the temperature of the hoist and travel motor to prevent overheating, while also monitoring the overall condition of the hoist to aid in preventative maintenance planning. The SLE/SMC also suppresses hoist inching operation to reduce wear and tear on the brake.

Optional on Yale YK hoists, Magnetek IMPULSE® Variable Frequency Drives continuously monitor many environmental and functional components of a hoist, such as motor temperature, end of travel and slow down limits, brake functionality, motor speed, and more. The drives also maintain safe functional thresholds, which decreases mechanical fatigue and increases reliability and uptime.

The functionality of the YK hoist can also be integrated with a variety of Magnetek-brand technology systems to provide hoist synchronization, anti-sway control, and faster lifting speeds when the hook is not under load. The YK can also be combined with our Intelli-Crane™ family of automated systems, including Intelli-Protect™ No-Fly Zone Technology and Intelli-Lift™ Off-Center Pick, Snag Detection and Correction.

TRAINING & AFTERMARKET SUPPORT

Columbus McKinnon and its network of authorized Channel Partners are committed to supporting you long after the sale. Whether you need replacement parts for your hoists, quick response on a warranty claim, or simply have a question about the operation or maintenance of your hoist, we are here to help.

We are dedicated to promoting the safe and efficient use of overhead cranes, hoists, and rigging equipment to keep your business running and increase your workers’ safety. With a team of expert trainers, comprehensive and challenging curriculum, and state-of-the-art training centers, we bring you professionally developed courses that highlight safe operation and installation as well as accurate and timely product maintenance.

For more information on our training programs, visit training.cmworks.com.