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Ladders, Scaffolding & Manlifts

EHS Today states falls from ladders injure more than 20,000 American workers every year, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The impact from sprains and strains, broken bones and other more serious disabling conditions resulting from falls from ladders reaches far beyond the injured worker's suffering. The direct compensation and medical treatments associated with falls from elevation cost American businesses \$4.6 billion, according to Liberty Mutual's 2005 Workplace Safety Index. And the indirect costs associated with increased absenteeism, worker replacement and productivity loss can cost up to two times as much, according to a recent survey of corporate financial decision-makers.

For more information go to www.ehstoday.com.



OSHA'S LADDER SAFETY CHECKLIST*

To help you better analyze your workplace safety, here is a Ladder Safety Checklist from OSHA*:

- Are all ladders maintained in good condition, joints between steps and side rails tight, all hardware and fittings securely attached, and moveable parts operating freely without binding or undue play?
- Are non-slip safety feet provided on each metal or rung ladder, and are ladder rungs and steps free of grease and oil?
- Are metal ladders inspected for damage?
- Are the rungs of ladders uniformly spaced at 12 inches (30.48 centimeters) center to center?
- Are portable metal ladders legibly marked with signs reading "CAUTION - Do Not Use Around Electrical Equipment" or equivalent wording?
- Are employees prohibited from placing a ladder in front of doors opening toward the ladder unless the door is blocked open, locked, or guarded?
- Are employees prohibited from placing ladders on boxes, barrels, or other unstable bases to obtain additional height?
- Are employees required to face the ladder when ascending or descending?
- Are employees prohibited from using ladders that are broken, have missing steps, rungs, or cleats, broken side rails, or other faulty equipment?
- Are employees instructed not to use the top step of ordinary stepladders as a step?
- When portable rung ladders are used to gain access to elevated platforms, roofs, etc., does the ladder always extend at least 3 feet (0.9144 meters) above the elevated surface?
- Are employees required to secure the base of a portable rung or cleat type ladder to prevent slipping, or otherwise lash or hold it in place?
- Are employees prohibited from using ladders as guys, braces, skids, gin poles, or for other than their intended purposes?
- Are employees instructed to only adjust extension ladders while standing at a base (not while standing on the ladder or from a position above the ladder)?

* OSHA Small Business Handbook 2005. OSHA advises these checklists are by no means all-inclusive. You should add to them or delete items that do not apply to your business; however, carefully consider each item and then make your decision. You should refer to OSHA standards for specific guidance that may apply to your work situation. OSHA.gov

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1CMV8



1YME8



1CJH2

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4ZY17



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4XN39



1ZDP2



4YN57

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4XZ56



4ZY96



4EU70

Resources:

- The Werner Climbing Pro II Ladder Safety Training Kit helps you better understand how to choose the right ladder for the job and teaches you how to use them safely.
- Louisville Ladder offers safety training and covering duty ratings, working heights, securing ladders, and specialty products. If requested, ladder inspections can be incorporated. Note: Please allow 6 weeks lead time.
- Tri-Arc can design, engineer, and manufacture application and environment specific product solutions that address productivity, safety, ergonomics, and code compliance. On-site evaluations conducted on an as-needed basis.