



Work at Height Activity Risk Assessment

Project Location: 44 Clematis Street	Date: 08/03/2023
Activity: The application of plaster to low level existing internal walls.	

- This risk assessment should be completed prior to any proposed work at height activity.
- Subsequent risk assessments should be undertaken if access equipment (ladder, stepladder, mobile platform) is used or work on flat roofs is proposed.

The activity/operation			
Describe the work at height activity/operation being assessed: The use of a small set of stepladders/hop-ups is to be used as access/egress in order to apply plaster to low-level internal walls within an existing building.			
What are the foreseeable consequences of a fall? FATALITY			
Hazards Fall of persons from stepladder Ladder slipping Instability of ladder			
Assessment factor	Yes	No	N/A
Can the activity/operation be done in a way that avoids work at height?		√	
Can the work be carried out from a suitable existing place of work?		√	
Does the existing workplace provide means of preventing falls?		√	
Does the existing workplace have suitable safe access?		√	
Does the work require the use of two hands?			√
Does the work require pushing or pulling?		√	
Is the job repetitive in nature?		√	
Is the job of short duration (less than 10 minutes)?			√
Will the job be supervised?	√		
Does the task require the use of more than one person?	√		
Does the task require equipment to be raised to the place of work?			√
Will the work take place where falling objects could injure passers by?		√	
Are the ground conditions suitable for a scaffold?			√
Are there any power cables or other overhead restrictions?		√	
Are there suitable anchorage points for a ladder?	√		
Can the risk of falling be eliminated?		√	
Can the distance of fall be minimised?		√	
Can the consequences of a fall from height be minimised?		√	
What is the distance of fall (in metres)	Approx 0.5 metres		
If the activity is just access or egress (e.g. getting onto a raised storage area) what is the distance (in metres) to be travelled?			



Access equipment

Using the information above select the equipment that should be used for the activity/operation being assessed:

<input type="checkbox"/> Mobile Elevated Work Platform <input type="checkbox"/> Independent scaffold <input type="checkbox"/> Tower scaffold <input type="checkbox"/> Ladder <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stepladder <input type="checkbox"/> Podium step <input type="checkbox"/> Fall arrest system <input type="checkbox"/> Work position equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify opposite)	Briefly explain why this equipment has been selected: This equipment has been selected due to the low level access required and restrictive area.
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Assessment factor	Yes	No
Is the equipment adequate for the foreseeable loading of people, equipment and materials?	√	

Instruction, training and procedures

Assessment factor	Yes	No
Have employees been trained or instructed in the use of the selected equipment?	√	
If fall arrest equipment is to be used, are there emergency/rescue procedures in place?	N/A	
Does the selected equipment require formal inspection periodically and before use?	√	
Who will carry out the above inspections? (Provide name, job title and contact no.) <i>Daily inspections to be carried out by Site Supervisor</i>		

Summary and further/remedial actions

With the above control measures in place this activity/operation is considered to be:
 High risk
 Medium risk
 Low risk

Remedial actions or additional control measure/s required

- All site rules and conditions must be strictly adhered to and any person failing to do so will be subject to disciplinary action and may be removed from site.
- Stepladders will only be used for short duration work.
- Top step of stepladder must not be used unless designed for that purpose.
- Stepladders must be checked to ensure correct length, type and condition before use.
- Stepladders are subject to a planned maintenance program.
- Stepladders work is restricted to that which can be carried out using one hand only, and stepladder work to that which can be carried out ensuring the stability of the stepladder.
- The ground base for the ladder must be firm and level.
- Use of stepladders will be monitored regularly, to ensure that operatives are not over-reaching or using two hands to work.
- Damaged stepladders will be removed from site immediately.
- Stepladders must be fully open, with cords taut.

With the above remedial control measures in place this activity/operation is considered to be:
 High risk
 Medium risk
 Low risk

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