

Fall Protection Hazard Assessment Checklist

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Production	Date range of work at height
Location	Production Safety Rep /Phone
Fall Protection Competent Person completing checklist / Phone	Site / Facility Representative
Engineer/Qualified person designing fall protection system (if applicable)	Facility Specific Emergency Notification Number

Purpose

The purpose of the *Fall Protection Hazard Assessment Checklist* is to guide your Production in identifying all fall hazards, identifying adequate fall mitigation systems, and preparing for proper response and rescue following fall arrest events. This document should be completed by a fall protection competent person for each department, for all productions, anytime work is being conducted over 4ft (30" in California).

This checklist must be reviewed, communicated, and followed by all affected personnel and crew involved in working at heights. Each location, period of time, or working condition shall have a completed Fall Protection – Hazard Assessment Checklist.

For further information see the [Fall Protection Production Safety Guidelines](#) and [Fall Rescue Guidelines](#).

Post this completed document near the area in which the work will be completed (e.g., Safety Bulletin board).

A.) Check ALL of the fall hazards that apply to this work site

Check	#	Identified Fall Hazards
	1	Elevated surfaces above 4ft (30" in California) in height (excluding rooftop).
	2	Rooftops above 4ft (30" in California) in height
	3	Stairways – Lacking sturdy OSHA compliant guardrails (Construction phase).
	4	Structural framing work in which passive fall protection is not possible.
	5	Ladder that is used on an elevated surface above 4ft (30" in California).
	6	Articulating/Boom style aerial lift use.
	7	Transferring from an Aerial lift or Scissors lift to another surface.
	8	Scissor lifts; only when manufacturer requires personal fall protection or guardrail system is inadequate.
	9	Scaffolding use
	10	Working on perms that do not have sturdy OSHA compliant guardrails
	11	Stunt work above 4ft (30" in California) in height
	12	Potential for falling objects from work above.
	13	Other:
	14	Other:
	15	Other:

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B) Corrective Actions

List each fall hazard number (from section A) below and describe the corrective action that will be taken to mitigate or eliminate the hazard. Fall hazards should be addressed by following the hierarchy of controls:

1. *Eliminate the fall hazard* (e.g., perform work at ground level or use tools to eliminate work above ground level)
2. *Passive Fall Protection* (e.g., guardrails, swing gates, floor hole covers, scissors lifts)
3. *Personal Fall Restraint* (e.g., restraint system with full-body harness, lanyard, and anchor to prevent falls)
4. *Personal Fall Arrest* (e.g., personal fall arrest system with full-body harness, lanyard, and anchor to arrest falls)

The first two priorities in the hierarchy should be utilized whenever feasible, before utilizing Fall Restraint or Fall Arrest systems.

Fall Hazard #	Corrective Action

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C) Pre- Fall Protection use checklist (complete the applicable sections based on fall protection type selected in section B)

Yes	No	N/A	Inspection Item
PASSIVE FALL PROTECTION			
			Do guardrails have a top rail (or height of parapet/screen) that is at least 42" +/- 3" tall and a mid-rail at the halfway point (e.g., 21")?
			Can Guardrails withstand a load of 200 pounds within 2 inches of the top edge?
			Are 4-inch toe boards provided on all elevated surfaces with guardrails, to protect against tools or materials from falling below?
			Are gates or chains used at access points to elevated surfaces to prevent falls?
			Are all holes and skylights near work areas, protected by an adequate protective cover, barrier, or guardrail system?
FALL RESTRAINT			
			Are all workers trained on proper use and care of fall restraint systems?
			Are all workers using appropriate fall protection equipment that has been inspected for wear, damage, and deterioration prior to use?
			Have all defective components been removed from service?
			Are all anchors, connection points, lanyards and/or lifelines appropriate for the task/facility/equipment specifications, and capable of withstanding at least 5,000 pounds per attached worker?
			Will the fall restraint system prevent the worker from falling downward?
			Are positioning devices set up so a worker cannot free fall more than 2 feet?
			Are all tools, equipment and loose items properly secured from falling to the surface below?
			Is the buddy system used to ensure that others are working safely and using their equipment properly?
FALL ARREST			
			Is the working height/fall hazard above 20ft? If not, fall arrest cannot be utilized.
			Are workers trained on proper use and care of fall arrest systems?
			Are all workers using appropriate fall protection equipment that has been inspected for wear, damage, and deterioration prior to use?
			Have all defective components been removed from service?
			Are all anchors, connection points, lanyards and/or lifelines appropriate for the task/facility/equipment specifications, and capable of withstanding at least 5,000 pounds per attached worker?
			Will the fall arrest system limit the maximum arresting force to 1,800 pounds?
			Is the system rigged so a worker cannot fall more than 6 feet nor contact a lower level or hazard?
			Are all anchorages designed, installed & used under the supervision of a qualified person/engineer?
			Have all horizontal and vertical lifelines been designed, installed, and used under the supervision of a qualified person?
			Can vertical lifelines be locked in both directions & are protected from cuts or abrasion?
			Have all self-retracting lifelines or lanyards that limit free falls to 2 feet or less been designed to withstand a force of 3,000 pounds, fully extended?
			Are all lanyards, lifelines and harnesses made of synthetic fibers (ropes/straps)?
			Are all snap hooks of locking type designed to prevent disengagement?
			When transferring surfaces, is a Y-lanyard (double lanyard) used and are both connectors connected to an anchor point?
			Are all tools, equipment and loose materials properly secured from falling to the surface below?
			Is the buddy system used to ensure that others are working safely and using their equipment properly?
			Will the fall hazard have a sharp edge /Leading Edge? If so, does the PFAS fall arrest harness have a "Leading Edge" or LE designation on the PFAS lanyard?

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D) Fall Rescue Planning (Only applicable for Fall Arrest – Stop here if utilizing passive systems)

Document all rescue details in the area below and ensure if using off-site rescue, you know response time.

Check the Fall Rescue Equipment that will be made available for specific location (Please list all that apply)

Rescue Bag / Kit	Rescue Poles	Aerial Lift
Harness	Scissor Lift	Scaffold
Lanyards / Yo-Yo's	Rescue Poles	Crane
Rescue Rope	Rescue Ladder	
Other:		
Other:		

Authorized Rescuers (List all personnel responsible for fall rescue response)

Name	Contact Number

Critical Rescue Details / Considerations (describe)

Rescue Obstructions/Hazards	
Anchor Points available for rescue	
PPE for available for rescuers	

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Please answer all questions below. "N/A" means "non-applicable." If action required, give brief description.

Yes	No	N/A	Inspection Item
			Has each user working at heights in Personal Fall Protection been identified on this Fall Protection – Hazard Assessment Checklist?
			Are all parties trained and equipped to conduct a fall rescue?
			Are all rescue bags and equipment listed in this procedure available in the immediate area?
			Has the rescue equipment been inspected?
			Does the user have Orthostatic straps (trauma straps) connected to the harness?
			Are users wearing Recovery SRLs (Self Retracting Lifeline), which allow a rescuer to hoist a fall victim to safety with the help of an inbuilt winch mechanism? If so, are the systems and equipment available for recovery?
			Is there unobstructed access for emergency equipment?
			Has this written Rescue Procedure been communicated to all personnel affected by work at height, including the location of designated Fall Rescue Equipment and First Aid Protocols?
			Has a copy of the Fall Protection Hazard Assessment been posted nearby, copies sent to the Production Safety/Facility Safety and Supervisors?

Fall Rescue Response Procedure:

1. Stop all work, including any filming.
2. Call Onsite Fall Rescue or 9-1-1 (or 9-9-1-1 as applicable)
3. Call onsite emergency number (if applicable)
4. If possible, have the fall victim perform a self-rescue and activate orthostatic straps (if available)
5. List your planned rescue procedure in the space below. Consider the best course of action based on work being performed, location, rescue equipment available, rescue personnel available, etc. Further guidance can be found in the [Fall Rescue Guidelines](#).
6. After rescue, provide a medical assessment of the individual and provide care as appropriate. Additional Information/steps in the space below.