

INTEGRATED MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

CHECKLIST FOR WORK AT HEIGHT

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Working at Heights

Hazard Identification Checklist

Important: This checklist must be used in conjunction with BPDB-IMS-PR-014 - Permit to Work Procedure and BPDB-IMS-PR-026 – Procedure for Work at Height

| Workplace / WAH Location: | |
|------------------------------|--|
| Date of Assessment: | |
| Name of Assessor: | |
| Job Title: | |

| | | Yes | No | N/A | Comments |
|----|--|-----|----|-----|----------|
| 1. | Is working at heights avoidable? (consider alternatives, e.g. provision of long handled equipment) | | | | |
| 2. | If staff have to work at heights, is appropriate access equipment is available? | | | | |
| 3. | Have you considered if staff should be working on a scaffold or platform rather than ladders or steps? | | | | |
| 4. | Will there be any risk of asbestos dust, disturbance or settlement? (see premises asbestos register) | | | | |
| 5. | Do any services (e.g. gas, electricity) need to be isolated before work commences? | | | | |
| 6. | Is there any risk from overhead cables? | | | | |
| 7. | Will there be any reason to vacate the building or area as a result of the work activity? | | | | |
| 8. | Is there a risk to any other premises users as a result of the task? | | | | |
| | Is there a risk from / to passing people? . Do other premises users need to be informed of | | | | |
| | the work? | | | | |

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| 11. Is there a need for an emergency/contingency /rescue plan? | | | | |
| 12. Is there a need to vacate adjacent rooms? | | | | |
| 13. Is there a risk of fall from ground level? e.g. into a cellar | | | | |
| 14. Are steps and ladders of commercial standard rather than of domestic quality? <i>(see website-ladders)</i> | | | | |
| 15. Have all staff who work at height read <i>'Safe use of Ladders and Stepladders'</i> document from website before commencing? | | | | |
| 16. Have staff who are required to work at height been appropriately trained? | | | | |
| 17. Have staff been informed of the requirement to visually inspect access equipment before use? | | | | |
| 18. Do staff have the appropriate physical capabilities to work at height safely? | | | | |
| 19. Is access equipment inspected, maintained and monitored on a periodic basis? | | | | |
| 20. Do staff understand their own responsibilities to report defects, comply with instructions and follow agreed procedures? | | | | |
| 21. Have warning signs / cones /barriers around access equipment been considered? | | | | |
| 22. Are there risks from weather conditions? | | | | |
| 23. Are there risks from materials when working at heights? e.g. sheet heavy awkward material | | | | |
| 24. Is there a risk from the use of tools/electricity (trailing cables, falling tools etc)? | | | | |
| 25. Are there any additional risks from PPE? | | | | |
| 26. Is there a risk from passing vehicles? | | | | |
| 27. Is traffic control required? | | | | |

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| 28. If staff work in areas that exposes them to falls from heights are appropriate precautions required? e.g. harnesses/restraint systems | | | | |
| 29. Will the work cause a potential risk from a fragile roof surface? e.g. working near rooflights | | | | |
| 30. Are warning signs displayed on buildings with fragile roof surfaces? | | | | |
| 31. If you have fragile roof surfaces, are any further precautions required to prevent unauthorised access by the public? | | | | |
| 32. Does the fire alarm test need to be considered for when working at heights? | | | | |
| 33. Should the work at height be undertaken out of normal hour? | | | | |
| 34. Are there risks from lone working? (See safety website) | | | | |
| 35. Is the amount of supervision adequate? | | | | |
| 36. Have you considered if the work should be undertaken by specialists? | | | | |

If any shaded box is ticked for an answer to a question, this indicates that a risk is present and you should take necessary precaution and use a Permit to Work to perform the tasks.

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