

FALL PROTECTION

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HAZARDS

ON THE JOBSITE

In May of 2017, OSHA made it mandatory for employers to provide training in Fall Protection for employees who might be exposed to fall hazards.

FALL PROTECTION
is the most frequently cited violation on the jobsite.

SCAFFOLDING

The majority of scaffolding injuries are caused by the planking or support giving way, or the employee slipping or being struck by a falling object.

LADDERS

Does the design of the ladder meet the specifications of the job being performed? Is it the correct height, material, properly opened, angled, and secured?

SLIP / TRIP CONDITIONS

Keep indoor floors and walkways clean and clear from debris, chemical spills, water, oil, grease. What is the ground surface? Can it become slippery when wet?

FALLS FROM A FLOOR

Guard holes in the floor using railings, floor hole covers, and toe boards. Provide guard rails and toe boards on open-sided platforms, ledges, and runways.

MACHINERY

Regardless of height, if a worker can fall into or onto dangerous machines or equipment (vats of chemicals, or devices that are stamping, moving, or working), employers must provide guardrails or toe boards to prevent injuries.

You may be surprised to learn that you can be cited for failing to use fall protection equipment at working heights of as little as 4-8 feet. OSHA has laid out the following industry-specific guidelines for required Fall Protection:

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