

SAFETY, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT



Task executor learnings from incidents | Working at heights

Working at heights safety checks for frontline supervisors and employees before task execution:

As a supervisor, ensure:

- Team members are medically fit, trained and declared competent in emergency procedures including rescue plans, fall arrest and protection equipment and lifeline use and configuration.
- To identify and implement protective measures to reduce working at height-related risks.
- Permanent and / or temporary working structures must be approved, inspected and maintained to prevent accidental falls.
- Team members can access certain working areas (e.g., roofs) safely while continuously being tied-on to prevent falling from heights.
- The pre-task risk assessment, fall protection plan and method statement must be specific to the activity, the site, workplace and the type of work that will be performed.

As a task executor, ensure:

- The correct personal fall protection equipment is always used, such as harnesses, lanyards, and retractable lifelines.
- The equipment is used correctly – it should be inspected before use and fitted properly, and workers need to be trained on how to use it.
- Work is executed under the supervision of a competent supervisor to ensure safety procedures are followed and a spotter to oversee the work.
- Ensure clear communication channels amongst workers and to communicate in case of unsafe behaviours, conditions or an emergency.



Should any conditions or work methods change, work must be stopped and re-assessed using the pre-task risk assessment