

Keep construction workers safe at height

Is the risk to construction workers managed enough?

An estimated **684,000 fatal falls** occur around the world each year*

For construction workers, the fall from height **risk can be even higher** due to:

- Failing to plan jobs or develop safe systems of work
- The lack of training and acceptance that dangerous practices are normal
- Misuse of equipment
- Lack of support and supervision
- Planning for different weather conditions and working through unsafe conditions



*According to the World Health Organisation (WHO)



Plan in advance

to manage construction worker working at height risks

- 1 Avoid working at height wherever possible.
- 2 Assess the risks from all jobs before starting.
- 3 Plan contingencies for weather and other hazards.
- 4 Take collective protection measures.
- 5 Encourage open conversations and make adjustments.



Are you trained?

Workers

Seek additional support if you lack experience.

Adapt your training to new places and new processes.

Make sure you're competent with the tasks ahead.

Businesses

Provide a safe space for open conversations

Ensure the worker's competence

Know the worker and take care if young, disabled or new



Do you have the right equipment?

- ✓ Fall prevention system
- ✓ Fall arrest system
- ✓ Inspect equipment regularly
- ✓ Keep communication, like phone or two-way radio