

# Generic Work at Height RA 003

Consequence	5	10	15	20	25
	4	8	12	16	20
	3	6	9	12	15
	2	4	6	8	10
	1	2	3	4	5
Likelihood					

- Unacceptable – Stop activity
- Adequate – Monitor for continual compliance
- Acceptable – No further action / monitor

Risk Assessment:	003 Work at Height
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## Location:

Likelihood	1 = Very unlikely	2 = Unlikely	3 = Fairly likely	4 = Likely	5 = Very likely
Consequence	1 = Insignificant	2 = Minor	3 = Moderate	4 = Major	5 = Catastrophic

Hazard	Who can be harmed & how	Risk Rating			Control measures in place	Residual Risk		
		L	C	R		L	C	R
Work at height	Persons undertaking the task. Serious injury potential / fatality through falling from height	3	5	15	In line with training delivered, operatives are instructed in the following. All work at height is to be planned and only undertaken by competent persons or if being trained, supervised by a competent person. Personnel aware of fragile surfaces, open voids and edges ensuring adequate protection is in place. Work at height is not undertaken where weather conditions prohibit safe working.	2	5	10
Failure of work equipment	Persons undertaking the task and others who may be affected. Serious injury potential / fatality through falling from height	3	5	15	All equipment used to gain height is inspected pre-use and at regular intervals in line with regulatory requirements. Only persons who have had the necessary information, instruction and training may alter, erect, operate and dismantle work at height equipment including podium steps. Personnel erecting lightweight towers to be PASMA or equivalent training. All personnel to follow guidance issued and training delivered.	2	5	10

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Objects falling from height	Persons undertaking the task and others who may be below work at height. "Struck by" could cause serious injury potential / fatality	3	5	15	When working at height personnel are aware of activities taking place above and below and to ensure that adequate protection is in place e.g. netting, fans, toe boards etc. Exclusion zones below may require implementation. Use of hard hats mandatory in areas where the potential for head injuries present.	2	5	10
Contact with overhead services	Persons undertaking the task and others who may be affected. Serious injury potential / fatality through contact.	3	5	15	Work at height is strictly controlled and planned, including taking into account overhead services. Use of non-conductive steps and towers as necessary. Clearance distances to be observed. If doubt exists over service, work is prohibited until approved by a competent person and isolation is proved.	2	5	10
Use of ladders and steps	Persons undertaking the task. Serious injury potential / fatality through falling from height	3	5	15	All ladders and steps to conform to required standards i.e. Class 1 EN 131 professional. In line with training delivered, ladders and steps should only be used where they can be set up correctly and secured where practicable. Ladder / steps / ground conditions are checked pre-use. Correct selection of equipment is required at all times i.e. use of non-conductive steps for electrical works.	2	5	10

**Additional information:**

For complex tasks a site-specific risk assessment shall be required.

Refer to separate RA for use of separate equipment i.e. MEWPS, Scissor lifts and Cherry pickers etc.