

Ladders

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Possible Hazards Present				Additional Training		
			Require	ed		
	 Falls/Slips 		 CSA Footy 	vear	-	Ladder Care and
	 Electrocution 		 Hard Hat 			Maintenance
	 Muscle strains 		- Lifting			

- 1. Read and follow all manufacturer labels and markings on the ladder.
- 2. Avoid electrical hazards. Check for overhead electrical lines or power sources. Use only fiberglass or wood ladders around electricity.
- 3. Inspect ladder before each use. If damaged it must be removed from service until it is repaired or discarded.
- 4. Do not use the top two rungs of a ladder.
- 5. Always maintain a 3-point stance(2 hands and 1 foot or 2 feet and 1 hand) on a ladder when climbing. Keep your body near the middle and always face the ladder.
- 6. Only use ladders and appropriate accessories (stand off arms, levelers, jacks, or hooks) for their designated use.
- 7. Ladders must be free of any slippery material on rungs, steps, or feet.
- 8. Be sure there is a stable, level footing and tie off ladders at the top and secure the bottom. If tie off is not possible another worker must hold the ladder.
- 9. The ladder must be on a 1 to 4 angle and extend at least 3 feet above the top support point.
- 10. Do Not shift a ladder when someone is on it.
- 11. Be sure that all locks on an extension ladder are properly engaged.
- 12. Do not exceed the load rating of a ladder including the weight of equipment or tools.
- 13. Only allow 1 worker at a time on a single ladder and Do Not over reach, keep body between rails.
- 14. Do not allow anyone to stand under a ladder.
- 15. Never paint a wooden ladder.
- 16. Maintain the ladder in good condition including rungs, ropes, and foot pads.

Documentation/Legislation

Workplace Safety and Health Regulation,

M.R. 217/2006

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