

# WORK SAFELY AT HEIGHTS

ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCE AND PERFORMANCE  
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RIIOHS204A Work Safely at Heights

## 1. Identify work requirements

### Performance criteria

- 1.1 Access, interpret and apply compliance documentation relevant to working safely at heights
- 1.2 Identify the scope of the task
- 1.3 Adhere to OHS requirements associated with working safely at heights, and the workplace environment throughout the work
- 1.4 Inspect site to determine layout and physical condition, condition of structures, prevailing weather conditions, equipment requirements and potential hazards
- 1.5 Identify and document the scope of the task and proposed work practices/activities
- 1.6 Identify, select and check safety equipment for serviceability
- 1.7 Identify, manage and report potential risks and hazards

## 2. Identify work procedures and instructions for the task

### Performance criteria

- 2.1 Select materials, tools and equipment, including personal safety equipment, and check for serviceability
- 2.2 Inspect/install fall protection and perimeter protection equipment ensuring adequacy for work and conformance to regulatory requirements
- 2.3 Identify approved methods for moving tools and equipment to work area and minimise potential hazards associated with tools at height
- 2.4 Install safety system in accordance with requirements
- 2.5 Select and install appropriate signs and barricades

## 3. Access and install equipment

### Performance criteria

- 3.1 Correctly fit, adjust and anchor fall protection and associated equipment
- 3.2 Make appropriate arrangements to install required equipment
- 3.3 Use recommended methods to access work area for people, tools and equipment
- 3.4 Place tools and equipment to eliminate or minimise the risk of items being knocked down

## 4. Perform work at heights

### Performance criteria

- 4.1 Check access from ground to work area to ensure it is safe and in accordance with requirements
- 4.2 Keep fall equipment in place and adjusted appropriately to all for movement during work
- 4.3 Undertake manual handling of materials and equipment in accordance with requirements
- 4.4 Locate materials and equipment ensuring that they are safely secured and distributed
- 4.5 Check safety system periodically for compliance with requirements and procedures
- 4.6 Monitor risk control measures to ensure that they are effective and appropriate to the task and work environment
- 4.7 Reassess risk control measures, as required, in accordance with changed work practices and/or site conditions and undertake alterations

## 5. Clean up work area

### Performance criteria

- 5.1 Dismantle safety system in accordance with sequence and remove from worksite
- 5.2 Clear work area and dispose of or recycle materials
- 5.3 Clean, check, maintain and store tools and equipment



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