

Falls from a height account for approximately 70 fatalities and 4000 major injuries every year. The Work at Height Regulations came into effect on 6th April 2005 and apply to all work at height where there is a risk of a fall liable to cause personal injury.

The regulations bring together all existing work at height regulation and state the minimum health and safety requirements for the use of equipment for work at height. Employers, the self-employed and any person that controls the work of others have a duty to ensure that work at height is properly planned, supervised and carried out in a manner that is safe.

Key features of the Work at Height Regulations April 2005

- All work at height is properly planned and organised
 - Those involved in work at height are competent
 - The risks from work at height are assessed and appropriate work equipment is selected and used
 - The risks from fragile surfaces are properly controlled
 - Equipment for work at height is properly inspected and maintained
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- Ladders (2007/8 catalogue pages 2159 - 2168)
- Fall arrest (2007/8 catalogue pages 1781 - 1788)
- Scaffold towers/access platforms (2007/8 catalogue pages 2168 - 2171)
- First Aid (2007/8 catalogue pages 1810)
- Signs (2007/8 catalogue pages 1825 - 1831)
- Tool holders and pouches (2007/8 catalogue pages 2181 - 2187)

For more information on The Work at Height Regulations April 2005 visit:
www.hse.gov.uk/falls/regulations.htm