

Dropping a tool is at the very least inconvenient. But dropping a tools from height posses a danger to all those below. The impact of a falling object can have devastating consequences. Follow the below instructions prior any task at height to prevent drops and save your collogues.



1. Make note

Include dropped object hazards in your fall protection plan.



2. Training is preventing

Educate and train employees on drop hazards and procedures / equipment to prevent falling objects.



3. Conduct risk assessments

Conduct a risk assessment before starting working at height and take drop hazards n account.



4. Maximize your drop zone

Take into account that anything can drop and not straight down. Your drop zone must be a minimum of 1 meter out of every 4 meters up.



5. Cover up gaps

In flooring and grid mesh and ensure toe-boards and nets are properly installed



6. Use tethered tools

Preferably with energy absorbing lanyards. This will reduce the force associated with the dropped tools.



7. Keep tools tied off

Tools weighting more than 2.3 kg (5 pounds) should be tied-off to he structure. Otherwise workers could dislocate a wrist or shoulder in case of falling tool.



8. Connect before passing on

When passing a tool to a colleague the receiving co-worker should first attach to the tool before the passing party disconnects. Ensuring the tool is always 100% tied off.



9. Use necessary tools only

Workers at height should only bring the tools needed for the job.



10. Hunt hazards down

Hold regular "hazard hunts" to create awareness of falling object risks.

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