

Circular 339: Safe Work at Height

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Dear Customer,

Dubai Development Authority would like to remind and emphasize that, the following key "Safe Work at Height" requirements shall be adhered during Construction, Modification, Alteration and Demolition operations.

Significant "Safe Work at Height" requirements include and not limited to the following:

 Conduct comprehensive Risk assessment of all "Working at Height" activities and ensure compliance with the Control Measures. During the Risk assessment consider Personal, Material, Equipment and Environmental factors of the activity.

2. Ensure to provide Safe means of access and to egress to Work at heights with Safe Working Platforms, Scaffolds, Ladders, Safety harness anchoring points, etc. in compliance with applicable legal and other requirements.

3. Employees and supervisors involved in erecting and dismantling Scaffolds and edge protection (Figure 1) shall be imparted with Competent training from a third party.

4. Employees and supervisors involved in "Working at Height" shall be imparted with competent training.

5. Employees shall be alerted with suitable signage at conspicuous locations in the vicinity of "Working at Height" activity.

6. Employees involved in "Working at Height" shall be provided with required Personal Protective equipment such as Safety harness with lifeline (*Figure 2*), Fall arrest units, etc.



- 7. Work platforms, equipment and safety gear used in "working at Height" activity shall be inspected and recorded in compliance with the requirements.
- 8. Consultants and Contractors are accountable to ensure compliance with these requirements. Failure to comply with these requirements may lead to imposition of applicable sanctions and penalties.



For further details, please refer to "Code of Construction Safety Practice".

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