

Pisys Limited

# WORKING AT HEIGHT PERMITS

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# WHAT IS A WORKING AT HEIGHT PERMIT?

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Work at height means work in any place where, if there were no precautions in place, a person could fall.

For example you are working at height if you:

- are working on a ladder or a flat roof;
- could fall through a fragile surface;
- could fall into an opening in a floor or a hole in the ground.

Falls from height are one of the biggest causes of workplace fatalities and major injuries.

# WHAT IS A TYPICAL SET OF QUESTIONS FOR A PERMIT?

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A typical **Working at Height** Permit will include but not be limited to the following:

1. Are you able to avoid work at height when completing this task?
2. Are you able to use control measures to prevent a fall, if WAH cannot be avoided?
3. If a fall cannot be prevented are you able to use control measures to minimise the fall distance?
4. Are ladders / step ladders required?
5. Is the Scaffolding safe to use - (visually Inspected?)
6. Is there risk of falling objects?
7. Has the scaffolding been checked and is the Scaftag in date?
8. Have the ladders been checked (to be tied/footed)?
9. Have MEWPs been inspected?
10. Are MEWP operators authorised and competent?
11. Is access onto the roof structure required?
12. Is there a rescue plan in case of an emergency at height?
13. Is the roofing material fragile?
14. Are weather conditions acceptable for WAH?
15. Are there any overhead services crossing or adjacent to the work area?
16. Please Confirm how a fall will be prevented:
  - a. Physical Barrier (Edge protection)
  - b. Fall arrest system
  - c. Travel Restraint system (netting etc.)
  - d. Crawling boards & edge protection

Pisys Permit to Work helps you setup your **Work at Height** Permit questions & checks and keep track of your required contractor competencies using the **Contractor Management Module**.

Working at Height

Required Competencies  Ladders  Mobile Platforms  Roof Work

Are you able to avoid work at height when completing this task ?	-- Select --	Are you able to use control measures to prevent a fall, if WAH cannot be avoided ?	-- Select --
If a fall cannot be prevented are you able to use control measures to minimise the fall distance ?	-- Select --	Are ladders / step ladders required ?	-- Select --
Is the Scaffolding safe to use - (visually Inspected ?)	-- Select --	Risk of falling objects	-- Select --
Scaffolding Checked and Scaftag in date	-- Select --	Ladders checked (to be tied/footed)	-- Select --
Have MEWPs been inspected ?	-- Select --	Are MEWP operators authorised and competent ?	-- Select --
Is access onto the roof structure required ?	-- Select --	Is there a rescue plan in case of an emergency at height?	-- Select --
Is the roofing material fragile ?	-- Select --	Are weather conditions acceptable for WAH ?	-- Select --
Are there any overhead services crossing or adjacent to the work area ?	-- Select --	Please Confirm how a fall will be prevented	-- Select --