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Working at Heights

Working at Heights is more common than most people think. There is a requirement to have Working at Heights training for workers in many situations. These situations include working in any area that a worker can fall from a height of 3 meters (10 feet). These areas can include roofs, working in mezzanines with open railings, working around open areas, working around water, or even as low as 1.2 meters if working in an area used as a path for a wheelbarrow. The type of fall arrest system, fall restraint system, travel restraint system, netting, or guarding is very important to determine what is required for each situation.

Recent Statistics for Working at Heights in Ontario

2016

- 11,495 Lost Time Injury Claims per Year
- 31 Lost Time Injury Claims per Day
- \$249 million over the life of these claims
- More than 70% are a result of same level falls

2018

- 13,368 Lost Time Injury Claims per Year
- 37 Lost Time Injury Claims per Day

Potential fines imposed for failing to ensure a safe work surface as per Reg. 851, sec. 11 are as follows...

- Employer: \$650.00
- Supervisor: \$550.00
- Worker: \$350.00

Every company requires to be aware of the tasks their workers are performing. Working at Heights is one of the tasks that a worker must be properly trained in and their accreditation must be documented. The worker must carry their valid working at heights card and the company must have a copy of it as well. **Working at Heights certification expires after 3 years.**

Northern Safety Solutions Inc. specializes in Working at Heights Training Programs for all types of workplaces.

**Training classes are available for online, in-class, or distance learning.
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