

	FIXED LADDER SAFETY	Date:
	TOOLBOX / TAILGATE TALK	Presenter:

Ladders: Fixed

Introduction

1. Review any accidents or "near accidents" from the past week.
2. Describe the hazards of the work as they relate to your project. Explain or show the Safe way of doing the job.
3. Give the Tool Box Safety Talk

A fixed ladder is a ladder permanently attached to a structure, building or equipment. Fixed ladders pose hazards including slippery surfaces, unsure footing, and structural damage. Take these precautions when using fixed ladders:

- Check rungs to ensure that they're free of splinters, sharp edges, burrs or projections that may create a hazard. Reports ail defects promptly.
- Clean muddy or slippery boot soles before mounting a fixed ladder, or any ladder.
- When climbing fixed ladders on towers, tanks, or chimneys, use appropriate ladder safety devices as instructed. A ladder safety device is an appliance that will arrest the fall of an individual working at elevated heights.
- Watt until the other person has exited the ladder before ascending or descending.
- When climbing fixed ladders, follow the same basic rules as with portable ladders.
- Take advantage of landing platforms to rest when climbing or descending from heights.



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