

# Working at Height: What is working at height?

## Part 1

*It's not the Fall that kills:  
it's the sudden stop at the bottom! (unless  
you're impaled on something on the way!)*

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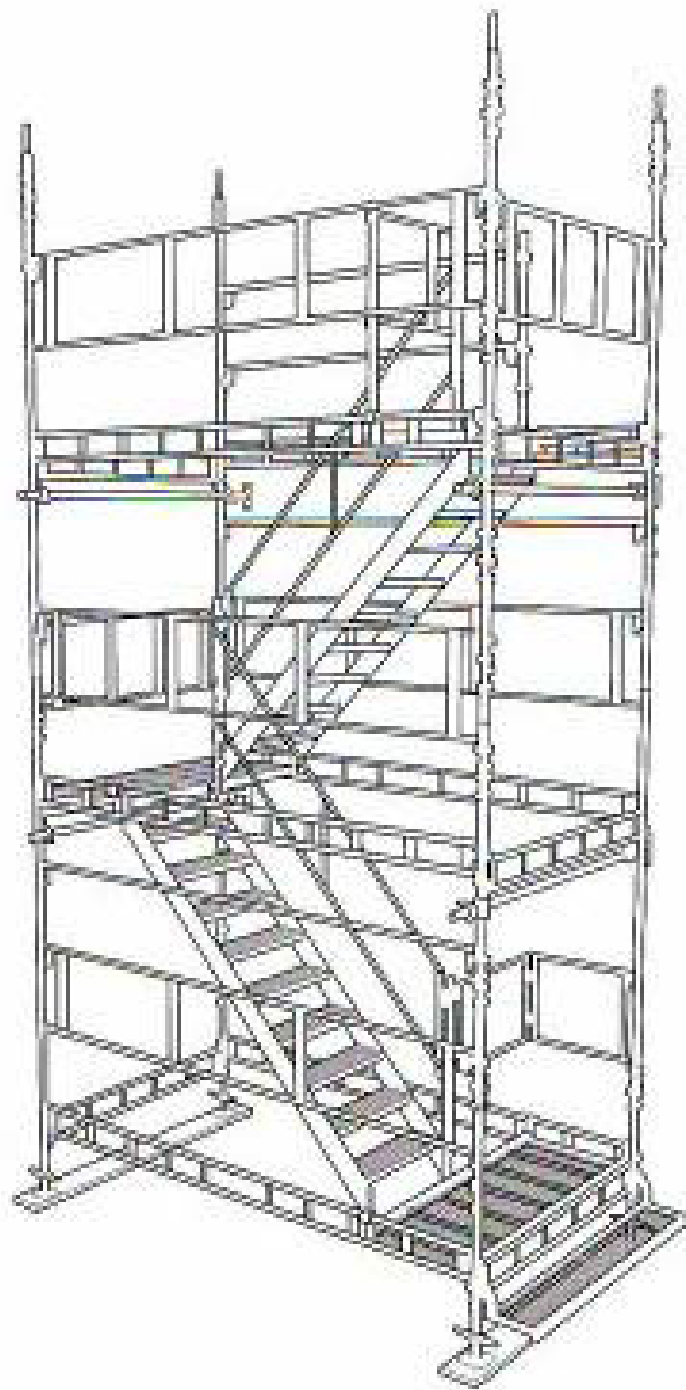
# What is “Working at Height”?

- **ANY** work where there is a risk of falling a distance
- Managed by
- Planning
- Consider the Hierarchy
  - (a) Avoid Work at Height
  - (b) Prevent Falling
  - (c) Protect against the effects/consequences









# Leaning Ladders and Stepladders

- Legal position
- No need to ban any ladder, but need to consider:
- Justification:- *scaffold type platforms cannot be used due to limited access or ground conditions*
- *the work is low-risk*
- *the work is short duration (15 – 30 minutes)*

# Leaning Ladders and Stepladders

- Legal position
- Employers Duty to:
  - (a) Provide Safe Plant and Safe Systems of Work
  - (b) Provide Information, Instruction, Training and Supervision



# Leaning Ladders and Stepladders

- Legal position
- Employees Duty to:
  - (a) Look after themselves and others who may be affected by what they do or don't do
  - (b) Co-operate with the employer on H&S issues
  - (c) Report defective equipment/dangerous situations to the employer

Thank you - any  
questions?



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