

THE BUILDING MAINTENANCE COMPANY RISK ASSESSMENT



GRA50

GENERIC

X

SITE SPECIFIC

Activity/Element
Working on step ladders

Potential Hazards
Falls from steps. Materials and tools falling from steps. Persons colliding with steps. Steps toppling due to unsafe base.

RISK RATING: Consequence x Likelihood = Risk Rating

Consequence	Likelihood	Risk Rating
1 Negligible/No effect 	1 Extremely Remote 	1-4 Trivial
2 Marginal 	2 Remote 	5-8 Acceptable
3 Critical X	3 Reasonably Probable X	9-12 Substantial X
4 Catastrophe 	4 Probable 	13-16 Intolerable

BEFORE CONTROLS:

CONSEQUENCE

3

LIKELIHOOD

3

RISK RATING

9

People Affected by the works:-

Members of the Public

X

Site Staff

X

Site Operatives

X

Visitors to Site

X

CONTROL MEASURES:

Note. These control measures to be read in conjunction with the standard maintenance specifications.

- Step ladders will be properly constructed and maintained.
- Step ladders will be inspected before use and assessed for suitability for the proposed task.
- The footings for the step ladders will be inspected for evenness and free of any items that would cause the steps to topple, wobble or slip.
- The area of work will be segregated from unauthorised personnel.
- Step ladders are to be correctly positioned facing the area of work and not side on.
- If side on working can not be avoided, step ladders should be tied on to prevent toppling.
- Always allow 3 clear steps from the top of the ladder when working. Do not work higher than this.
- The legs will be fully opened when working.
- Do not use the steps as a means of accessing a higher roof as steps can become unstable when stepping off them.
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N.B. Employees duties under Regulation 14 of MHSWR to inform employer of any circumstances which might indicate a shortcoming in the above assessment.

AFTER CONTROLS:

CONSEQUENCE

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LIKELIHOOD

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RISK RATING

6

Project: _____ Generic _____ Date _____

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