LADDER SAFETY TIPS



THE "WRONG" WAY TO USE A LADDER

Ladders are common everyday tools that many workers take for granted. As you read the safety guidelines, you may say: "I know that, that's just plain common sense." You can avoid a ladder injury if you think before you act and use ladders correctly. Your work will be easier and more productive, too. Most ladder related injuries are preventable, if you think before you climb.

THE "RIGHT" WAY TO USE A LADDER

DIGHT

Properly set-up and use the ladder in accordance with safety instructions and warnings. Wear shoes with non-slip soles.



RIGHT

Center body on the ladder and keep belt buckle between the rails while maintaining a firm grip.



WRONG

DON'T stand above the second step from the top of a stepladder or the fourth rung from the top of an extension ladder.



WRONG

DON'T climb on the back of a stepladder.

DON'T stand or sit on a stepladder top or pail shelf



RIGHT

Haul materials with a line rather than carry them up an extension ladder. Use extra caution when carrying anything on a ladder.



RIGHT

Climb facing the ladder, move one step at a time and firmly set one foot before moving the other.



NRONG

DON'T climb a ladder if you are not physically and mentally up to the task.



WRONG

DON'T climb a closed ladder, it may slip out from under you.



RIGH

Have another person help with a heavy ladder. Have another person hold the ladder while you are working on it.



RIGHT

Move materials with extreme caution. Be careful pushing or pulling anything while on a ladder. You may lose your balance or tip the



WRONG

DON'T over-reach, lean to one side or try to move a ladder while on it. Climb down and then re-position the ladder closer to your work.



WRONG

DON'T exceed the maximum load capacity or duty rating of a ladder. DON'T permit more than one person on a single-sided stepladder



LADDER INSPECTION CHECKLISTS

All ladders should be thoroughly inspected from top to bottom before every use. Ladders can be damaged while in transit or storage, and through misuse and abuse. Examine the ladders carefully for damaged or missing parts. Never use a bent or damaged ladder or one that has been exposed to excessive heat or acid.



STEPLADDER	PODIUM
Size: ft.	Size: ft.
Fiberglass Aluminum Wood Circle Areas of Damage 6206	Fiberglass Aluminum Circle Areas of Damage PD6204
YES NO	YES NO
Steps: Loose, cracked, bent, or missing	Steps: Loose, cracked, bent, or missing
Rails: Cracked, bent, split or frayed rail shields	Rails: Cracked, bent, split or frayed rail shields
Labels: Missing or not readable	Labels: Missing or not readable
Pail Shelf: Loose, bent, missing, or broken	Top: Cracked, loose, or missing
Top: Cracked, loose, or missing	Spreader: Loose, bent, or broken
Spreader: Loose, bent, or broken	Platform: Cracked or bent
General: Rust, corrosion, or loose	General: Rust, corrosion, or loose
Other: Bracing, shoes, or rivets	Other: Bracing, shoes, or rivets
ACTIONS:	ACTIONS:
Ladder tagged as damaged and removed from use Ladder is in good condition	Ladder tagged as damaged and removed from use Ladder is in good condition

EXTENSION LADDER Size: ft.	LEANSAFE Size: ft.
Fiberglass Aluminum Circle Areas of Damage D6224	Fiberglass Aluminum Circle Areas of Damage L6206
Rungs: Loose, cracked, bent, or missing Rails: Cracked, bent, split, or frayed Labels: Missing or not readable Rung Locks: Loose, bent, missing, or broken Hardware: Damaged, loose, or missing Shoes: Worn, broken, or missing Rope / Pulley: Loose, bent, or broken General:	Steps: Loose, cracked, bent, or missing
Rust, corrosion, or loose Other: Bracing rivets ACTIONS:	Other: Bracing, shoes, or rivets ACTIONS:
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Werner Ladder - Seguridad con las escaleras

Al finalizar este curso, podrá seleccionar la escalera apropiada para su trabajo, inspeccionarla correctamente, manipularla y transportarla para evitar daños y conocer las maneras adecuadas de utilizar la escalera de manera segura.