



Risk Assessment

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Operation / Task:	Working at Height –Roofing (Fragile; Flat; Sloping Roofs)	Name of Assessor:	Rhys Milton
Reference:	RA004	Date of Assessment:	02.01.2024
Persons at Risk:	ASW Employees/ Other Contractors/ Members of the Public	Reviewed by	R. Milton
Location:	ASW Health and Safety Assessment 2024	Review date	31.12.2024

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				L	S	LxS		L	S	LxS	
1	Working at Height – Roofing (Fragile Roofs and Flat Roofs and Sloping Roofs)	Falling during access/through roof (person)	Serious injury or even fatal injury	5	5	25	Personnel working on a roof must be trained and competent in Working at Height and able to complete the task safely. Personnel working on a roof should be supervised by a competent person. Safe access to the roof shall be provided and maintained, for example, via a general access or tower scaffold, a suitable secure ladder or some other adequate means. Pre-User equipment checks must take place prior to use of the Scaffold. Suitable PPE to be worn for task including Hardhat, Hi-vis vest, safety boots. Work at height shall only be carried out when weather conditions do not jeopardise the health and safety of persons involved in the work. Fragile parts of the roof will be clearly identified e.g. roof-lights etc. and will be covered or suitably guarded. At no time may anyone work on, from or pass over fragile material, unless platforms, coverings or other similar means are provided that adequately support them.	1	5	5	
		Falling from Edge of roof	Serious injury or even fatal injury	4	5	20	If there is no permanent parapet or guardrail provided, suitable edge protection will be erected.	1	5	5	
		Falling through fragile materials i.e. roof lights	Operatives suffering severe burns or fatal electric shock	4	5	20	Fragile parts of the roof will be clearly identified e.g. roof-lights etc. and will be covered or suitably guarded. At no time may anyone work on, from or pass over fragile material, unless platforms, coverings or other similar means are provided that adequately support them.	1	5	5	



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		Falling Object/ Material from or through roof		4	4	16	Walkways near fragile materials (valleys, gutters and channels) will either be fitted with guardrails on either side or suitably covered to prevent persons falling through the roof. Materials will not be stored on a fragile roof, unless suitable precautions are taken to prevent both workers and materials falling through (i.e. birdcage scaffold or safety netting) and authority is given. A suitable means for loading will be employed and detailed in method statement. Where possible, the area below will be cordoned off to prevent entry into the danger area.	1	4	4	
		Asbestos	Inhalation of asbestos dust from debris	4	5	20	Asbestos report to be obtained and viewed prior to any works commencement. If Asbestos suspected during works, stop immediately. Do not continue to work. Personnel should be trained in Asbestos Awareness or supervised by a competent person. Personnel to wear appropriate PPE including hard hat, suitable gloves and where applicable RPE (respiratory personal equipment)	1	5	5	
		Biological Disease e.g. Rat Urine / Pigeon Droppings	Breathing dust or water droplets containing contaminated bird droppings and coming into contact with rat urine can lead to several diseases.	4	4	16	Personnel to wear appropriate PPE including hard hat, suitable gloves, protective clothing and where applicable RPE (respiratory personal equipment). Where applicable, prevent any dust getting into the air by wetting down the work area. Follow good basic hygiene including regular handwashing and avoiding hand to mouth/eye etc contact. If area found to be contaminated (i.e. Rats), stop works for hazard to be removed.	1	4	4	
		Bats	Histoplasmosis/rabies disease.	5	5	25	Any bats that are encountered in any property are to be left alone. All operatives involved are to leave the property immediately and contact the acting supervisor.	2	5	10	

