

Painting on a high pitched roof



High Risk Construction Work Activity:	Risk of a person falling from more than 2 metres.
What:	Re-coating the galvanized surface on a high pitched roof (greater than 35°)
Where:	On a residential block on a typical suburban home.
Who:	Typically involving 2 or more painters with basic working from heights qualifications

1. ELIMINATION

2. MODIFICATION

- Use guard railing around the fall hazard
- Use physical barriers around the fall hazards
- Use scaffolds as a work platform.
- No access is permitted to steep sloping roofs and that such roofs have warning signs placed where persons can gain access.
- Use an elevated work platform to access the work area
- Install a falls catch systems
- Use lanyards and harnesses to prevent access to fall area

3. ADMINISTRATION

- Follow SWMS of Principle Contractor in regards to the work in there is a risk of falls
- Only have suitably qualified and experience staff to undertake tasks where there is a risk of falls
- Consult with the building contractor, safety officer and / or HSR regarding any specific actions required when working in these areas.
- Ensure ladders are suitable, correctly set-up and tied-off.
- Ensure all working areas and access points are clean and in good condition.
- Remove unwanted material and construction waste regularly from the site so it does not accumulate.
- Ensure construction materials, power leads, tools and equipment are handled and positioned carefully to avoid creating tripping hazards.

4. PERSONAL PROTECTION