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| «Always safe» - a checklist for leaders from the industry collaboration alwayssafe.no | |
| Prevent falling objects during work at heights | |
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| Equinor, Vår Energi and Aker BP have established a common annual wheel for important, cyclical topics – including falling objects. This checklist was developed based on inspiration from the SfS *handbook to prevent falling objects*, as well as actions taken after unwanted incidents and experiences from previous learning packages in the annual wheel. | |
| Context  Scaffolding work and work at height are risky.  A *dynamic falling object* (FO), is an object falling down due to an external force and poses a significant safety challenge. | Preparation for sampling and spot checks  In order to verify according to this checklist, you will need to consider the following:   * Make a selection of active work permits and check scaffolding and/or work at height. * Take with you: SFS ‘Handbook to prevent falling objects’, illustrating best practices. |
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| # | Assessments | Observation | Action description |
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| 1 | Good practice when working at height, and securing tools and equipment at height  A good framework for working at height is an important factor in reducing the potential for falling objects. Check the following for those working at height when you verify:  Checkpoints – The framework for the job   * Have all requirements in the work permit been met before start of work? * Are the barriers sufficient? What if something falls and changes direction on its way down? * Is there sufficient control that tools that have been brought up at height, are also being brought back down? * Are barriers marked with owner and date? * Is there a need for safety nets? If yes; are they properly placed, and intact without damage? * What is the work team’s experience with the working at height procedures?   Checkpoints – Securing tools   * Was there performed a pre-use check of tools securing and fastening performed? If yes; what was the result of that check? * Are all tools and equipment secured against falling, both during transport and when working at height? * Are home-made methods in use, or is everything in accordance with the SFS handbook? * Could loose objects fall out of pockets or similar? |  |  |
| 2 | Checking height storage units  A well-equipped tool cabinet/box containing the correct tools/equipment for working at height is an important aid in avoiding falling objects. Cabinets/boxes must be well organized to give good overview and make it easy to count/check its contents. Check the following:  Checkpoints   * Does every cabinet/box have a clear table of contents? * Is there a withdrawal log for the cabinet/box, and is it being used? * What is the status at the time you check the cabinet/box? * Are the tools in the cabinet/box in compliance with the SfS handbook? * Is there a logging routine for taking out/replacing tools in the cabinet/box, and is the work team familiar with it? * What is done if tools are missing according to the table of contents/ log? Will this trigger a search? |  |  |
| 3 | Use of fall safety equipment / harness  Checkpoints   * Do operative personnel have the necessary competence in the use of fall safety equipment? * Is the equipment in order and properly certified? * Has a buddy check been performed? * Rescue plan? |  |  |
| 4 | Use of stairs, ladders and rails  Checkpoints   * Are stairs/ladders/rails that are being used for the job in good condition and in compliance with requirements? |  |  |

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