

TOOLBOX TALKS

The Upside of Safety



Safety Monitor

Safety Monitor System is a fall protection method where a competent person, having no additional duties, watches and by voice instruction advises workers to keep them from falling while they are working in the control zone, including the leading edge of a low-pitched roof.

Safety Monitors Duties

- A safety monitor must be instantly identifiable on the job and distinct from the other members of the crew. (Different clothing, vest, etc).
- A safety monitor's sole duty is to protect other workers working in a control zone. No other tasks are permitted to be done by the monitor when monitoring workers.
- A safety monitor must be within hearing range of the workers and constantly communicating with workers about possible hazards.



When a Safety Monitor isn't allowed

- Working on sloped roofs greater than 4/12 pitch
- Working in poor weather conditions
- When using motorized or human propelled wheeled equipment, other than wheelbarrows and mop-carts, inside the monitoring zone
- When replacing roof decking
- If forbidden by the customer or general contractor



Competent Person

OSHA Regulations require that you, as a safety monitor be a "Competent Person."

A Competent Person must be able to:

- Be knowledgeable of fall protection equipment and practices used in the safety monitor system
- Capable of identifying hazards
- Have authority to correct or protect against hazards
- Knowledgeable of regulations regarding safety monitors
- Knowledgeable of the general provisions of the fall protection regulation

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✓ SAFETY CHECK

Is your safety monitor distinctly identifiable?

Is your safety monitor only focused on performing safety monitor tasks?

Do you know what it means to be a competent person?

Does the roof your working on fit the definition of a low slope roof?

Company:

Location:

Presenter:

Date:

ATTENDANCE SHEET