

HEIGHT SAFETY COMPETENCIES as per AS/NZS 1891.4-2.2.11

Users of fall arrest equipment and all people undertaking tasks associated with harnessed based work at heights **shall** be trained and assessed in accordance with requirements set out below.

Height Safety Theory

All people falling under the below classifications shall undergo training in height safety theory to a standard equal to that of a nationally accredited general height safety course.

Height Safety Operator

Operators who are required to perform harness based work at heights shall be trained and assessed in a nationally accredited general height safety course to a level of competence where they can work under a supervisor. The training and assessment shall take into account the type of work, structures, equipment to be used as well as first response methods.

Height Safety Supervisor

Supervisors shall be assessed as competent if they can demonstrate the above competence, work unsupervised, supervise the job and height safety operators under their control as well as participate in first response rescue.

Height Safety Equipment Inspector

Designated equipment inspectors shall be trained and assessed in height safety theory and the identification and assessment of all defects that may occur in the equipment they may be required to inspect including manufacturers recommendations where they exist.

Height Safety Manager

This category applies to people who have tasks associated with harness based work at heights including – personal management, infrastructure design, equipment assessment and selection as well as participation in safe work practice development for harness based work at heights.

HEIGHT SAFETY EQUIPMENT INSPECTION & MAINTENANCE

Item	Inspection Frequency as required by AS/NZS 1891.4
Harness, Lanyard, PPE, FA Devices, Ropes and Slings.	6 monthly inspection by height safety equipment inspector.
Anchorage – drilled in type or attached to timber frame. Others.	12 monthly inspection by height safety equipment inspector. As recommended by manufacturer to maximum of 5 yearly – 12 monthly in absence of this.
Fall-Arrest devices – full service.	12 monthly inspection by height safety equipment inspector. As recommended by manufacturer to maximum of 5 yearly – 12 monthly in absence of this.
Horizontal Lifelines and Vertical Lifelines – Steel or Rail.	12 monthly inspection by height safety equipment inspector. As recommended by manufacturer to maximum of 5 yearly – 12 monthly in absence of this.
All items of personal and common use equipment.	Inspection by height safety equipment inspector on entry or re-entry of service.
All items which have been stressed as a result of a fall.	Inspection by height safety equipment inspector before use.