

Metal Roofing Installation SAFETY

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BE SAFE

Steep pitches and slippery surfaces make roofing installation dangerous work. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, roofing contractors had a work fatality rate more than 10 times the average rate of work fatalities per year in 2018, the latest year available for statistics.*

Visual Inspection



Check for hazards and assess the terrain: pitch, weak spots, skylights, chimneys.

Roof Prep



- Note the safest access points
- Minimize any hazards noted earlier
- Secure ladders
- Place materials at easily accessible points
- Place barriers at hazard points

OSHA regulations require any roofer who works 6 feet or more above a lower level to use an adequate fall protection system.



Fall Protection



Anchors

If necessary, install anchors making sure to test them before use. Anchors can be permanent or temporary, as necessitated by the jobsite.

Most importantly,

PAY ATTENTION.

Awareness of your surroundings is always the best safety measure.

2018 roofing fatalities:

96

2018 fatal injury rate per 100,000 full-time workers

51%

Average rate across all professions: 3.5%

*<https://www.bls.gov/news.release/cfoi.htm>