

25. Fall from Roof

A 41-year-old roofer fell approximately 18 feet from the roof of a residential structure, striking his head on a trailer jack. The employees were removing old roof shingles and replacing them with new shingles and roofing accessories. The victim stretched a roll of roof vent across the one-story-garage roof, stood up, and fell backwards. He fell and struck his head on the trailer jack that was supporting a trailer containing roof shingles. He was pronounced dead at the scene. No fall protection was used on the job.

Citation 1

Item 1926.501(b)(10)	Except as otherwise provided, each employee engaged in roofing activities on low-slope roofs with unprotected sides and edges 6 feet or more above lower levels were not protected from falling by guardrail systems, safety net systems, personal fall arrest systems, or a combination of warning line system and guardrail system, warning line system and safety net system, or warning line system and personal fall arrest system, or warning line system and safety monitoring system.
Item 2 1926.503(a)(2)	The employer did not assure that each employee has been trained, as necessary, by a competent person

Citation 2

Item 1 TDL Rule 0800-1-3-.05(1)(a)	An oral report of an employment accident resulting in a fatality or the inpatient hospitalization of three or more employees was not made within eight (8) hours after the occurrence to the nearest Area Office of the Division of Occupational Safety and Health or to the TOSHA toll-free central telephone number (1-800-249-8510).
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