



Creating the Culture

Choosing the right equipment

Inspecting what you've choosen

Installing what you've Inspected



\*1926.502(d)(20) The employer shall provide for <u>prompt</u> rescue of employees in the event of a fall or shall assure that employees are able to rescue themselves.

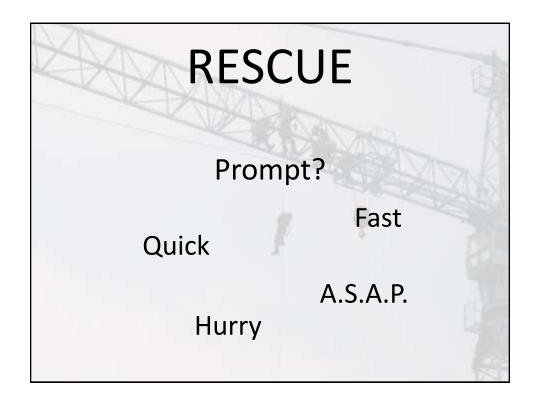
\*OSHA 1926

#### RESCUE

\*6.2.1 Employees shall be trained in self-rescue or alternate means shall be provided for <u>prompt</u> rescue in the event of a fall.

\*ANSI A10.32-2004





#### **Venous Pooling**

...typically occurs in the legs due to the force of gravity and a lack of movement.

## **RESCUE**

Orthostatic Intolerance
Suspension Trauma
Harness-induced pathology

In as little as 15 minutes...

Some contributing factors of suspension trauma:

Inability to move legs

Pain

Fatigue

Dehydration

Hypothermia

Injuries during fall

Respiratory disease

**Blood loss** 

# **RESCUE**

Prompt?

Before...

9-1-1?

## **RESCUE**

\*6.2.2 A project-specific <u>rescue</u> <u>plan</u> shall be developed which will provide for a form of rescue for employees.

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\*3.2.4.6 The competent person shall ensure a written <u>rescue plan</u> has been developed.

\*ANSI Z359.2-2007

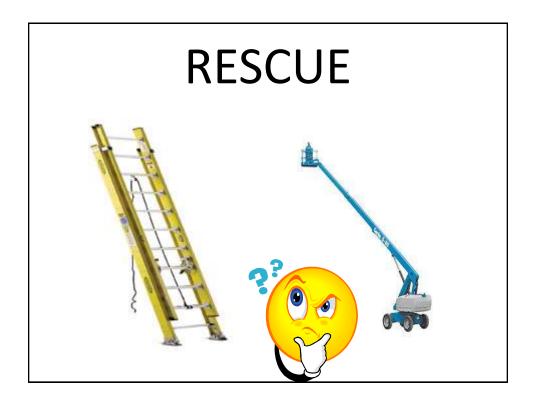
#### RESCUE

**Rescue Plan:** A strategy or procedure, planned in advance, to retrieve a person safely who has fallen from an elevated work surface and is suspended in a full body harness, to include self-rescue or mechanically aided rescue.

This plan must be documented!
This plan must be communicated!

\*6.2.3 All rescuers shall be provided with adequate training, and equipment...

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US Labor Department's OSHA cites bridge reconstruction contractor, \$60,900 in fines for inadequate rescue and fall safeguards

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OSHA found that company X did not have procedures and equipment in place for the prompt rescue of employees working at heights. The contractor's emergency response plan did not ensure that proper rescue equipment and trained personnel were readily available if needed.

As a result, OSHA issued a citation with a \$56,000 fine for this willful violation.

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