



**Risk Management & Safety**  
**Safety Standard Change Notification**  
**December 1, 2016**

This sheet highlights significant changes to safety standards and provides direction to UNLV departments and colleges on how they are affected by these changes.

Title: Walking-Working Surfaces, 1910 Subpart D (updated)      Effective Date: January 17, 2017  
Personal Protective Equipment, 1910 Subpart I, personal fall protection systems (added)

Compliance Date/Summary of Changes: (see below)

1. Workers trained on fall hazards (July 2017).
2. Workers who use equipment covered by the final rule are trained (July 2017).
3. Inspecting and certifying permanent anchorages for rope descent systems (January 2018).
4. Installing personal fall arrest or ladder safety systems on new ladders over 24 feet and on replacement ladders/ladder sections, including fixed ladders on outdoor advertising structures (January 2019).
5. Ensuring existing fixed ladders over 24 feet, including those on outdoor advertising structures, are equipped with a cage, well, personal fall arrest system, or ladder safety system (January 2019).  
Note: Replace cages and wells (used as fall protection) with ladder safety or personal fall arrest systems on all fixed ladders over 24 feet (January 2037).

Subject Area: Improve the safety on walking-working surfaces and the protection of employees working about ground/floor level.

Impact of Changes:

1. Departments will ensure that employees who are exposed to possible fall hazards and equipment covered by the final rule is trained.
2. Departments will check their ladders to determine if they meet the criteria requiring fall protection devices.
3. Departments will purchase and have installed the appropriate fall protective devices to comply with this rule.
4. Departments will purchase and issue appropriate PPE to staff that will use fall protection devices.
5. RMS will provide Fall Protection Training and assist the departments, as needed, to identify the appropriate PPE for the systems they will install.

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