

By Standard Number / 1910.27 - Scaffolds and rope descent systems.

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1910.27(a)

Scaffolds. Scaffolds used in general industry must meet the requirements in 29 CFR part 1926, subpart L (Scaffolds).

1910.27(b)

Rope descent systems-

1910.27(b)(1)

Anchorage.-

1910.27(b)(1)(i)

Before any rope descent system is used, the building owner must inform the employer, in writing that the building owner has identified, tested, certified, and maintained each anchorage so it is capable of supporting at least 5,000 pounds (2,268 kg), in any direction, for each employee attached. The information must be based on an annual inspection by a qualified person and certification of each anchorage by a qualified person, as necessary, and at least every 10 years.

1910.27(b)(1)(ii)

The employer must ensure that no employee uses any anchorage before the employer has obtained written information from the building owner that each anchorage meets the requirements of paragraph (b)(1)(i) of this section. The employer must keep the information for the duration of the job.

1910.27(b)(1)(iii)

The requirements in paragraphs (b)(1)(i) and (ii) of this section must be implemented no later than November 20, 2017.

1910.27(b)(2)

Use of rope descent systems. The employer must ensure:

1910.27(b)(2)(i)

No rope descent system is used for heights greater than 300 feet (91 m) above grade unless the employer demonstrates that it is not feasible to access such heights by any other means or that those means pose a greater hazard than using a rope descent system;

1910.27(b)(2)(ii)