

ACCIDENT REPORT

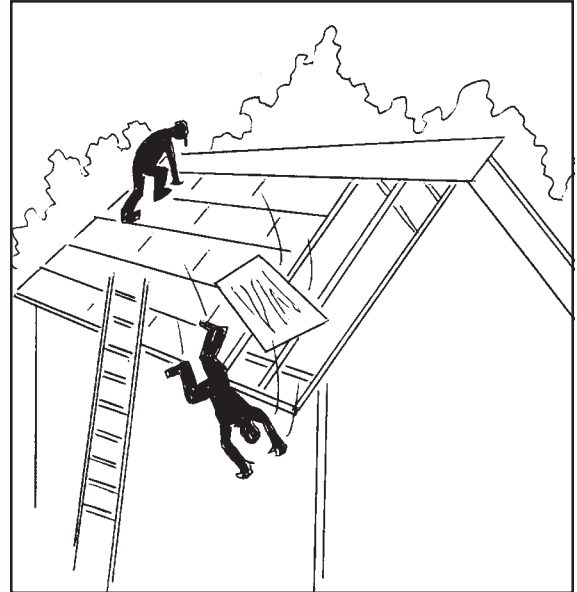
DISASTER FACTS



• U.S. Department of Labor • Occupational Safety and Health Administration • Kansas City Region VII No. 51

ACCIDENT SUMMARY

Accident Type: Fall from elevation
Weather Conditions: Rain
Type of Company: Framing construction
Size of Work Crew: 3
Collective bargaining unit: No
Designated competent person on-site: Yes
Safety and Health Program in effect: Yes
Training and education for employees: Yes
Worksite inspections conducted: Yes
Craft of deceased: Carpenter
Age/Sex: 28/Male
Time on the job: 2-3 years
Time on project: 4 weeks



BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ACCIDENT

An employee installing roof sheathing on a residential style construction project fell 23 feet to his death. At the time of the accident the employee was apparently carrying a sheet of sheathing material on the roof. There was no fall protection being implemented during the construction project.

ACCIDENT PREVENTION RECOMMENDATIONS

Implement a fall protection program for residential construction. Provide fall protection to protect employees while working on roofs. Provide instruction and training to employees on fall hazard recognition and means of avoidance of fall hazards.

SOURCES OF HELP

• OSHA Standards, regulations, documents and technical information are available on the Internet World Wide web at: <http://www.OSHA.gov/>. That information also is on CD-ROM, which may be purchased from the Government Printing Office, phone (202) 512-1800 or fax (202) 512-2250, Order No. 729-13-0000-5; Cost \$79 annually; \$28 quarterly.

• For hard copies of OSHA Construction Standards [29 CFR Part 1926], which include all OSHA job safety and health rules and regulation covering construction, contact Government

Printing Office, phone (202) 512-1800, fax (202) 512-2250, order number 869-022-00114-1, \$33.

• OSHA-funded free consultation services listed in telephone directories under U.S. Labor Department or under the state government section where states administer their own OSHA programs.

• OSHA Safety and Health Training Guidelines for Construction, Volume III (Available from the National Technical Information Service, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 22161; phone (703) 487-4650; Order No. PB-239-

312/AS. \$25 to help construction employers establish a training program.

• Courses in construction safety are offered by the OSHA Training Institute, 1555 Times Drive, Des Plaines, IL 60018, (847) 297-4810, and the Metropolitan Community Colleges Business & Technology Center, 6899 Executive Drive, Kansas City, MO 64120, (816) 482-5210.



Note: This case described was selected as being representative of improper work practices which likely contributed to a fatality from a fall and/or electrocution. The accident prevention recommendations do not necessarily reflect the outcome of the legal aspects of the incident case. Your company or organization is eligible to receive one free copy of this leaflet which you may duplicate and share with your co-workers. To be placed on the distribution list, send your name, title and address to: U.S. Department of Labor-OSHA, 1100 Main, Suite 800, Kansas City, MO 64105, Attn. TECFAP, or e-mail to dearing-cynthia@dol.gov.