



WORKSITE SAFETY GUIDELINES & BEST PRACTICES

- First aid kits for each job sit and or supervisor
- Youth need to be over 16 years of age
- Adult to youth ratio 1:4
- Safety briefing with each team
- Extension ladders should be at a 45-degree angle and 3' above roof
- Roofing volunteers with less skill 4/12 pitch roof
- Roofing volunteers with moderate skill 6/12
- Roofing volunteers that are skilled or in the trade professionally 8/12 and above
- Closed toe footwear on jobsites, no flip-flops/ sandals/ crocs, etc.
- Youth volunteers between 16-18 years of age cannot use power tools unless under direct skilled supervision from an adult
- To operate any air tools (nail guns, power washer, or sprayer) 25 years of age or older, unless in the building trade and familiar with their use and maintenance
- No paint spraying when wind is over 10mph and then only with a volunteer that is a professional painter
- Do not remove any safety feature from any equipment
- Safety goggles when operating power tools or paint scrapping
- Dust masks for insulation, and sanding, paint scrapping and mold removal
- Safety harnesses on 8/12 roof repair required
- No ladders on top of scaffold or in the bed of trucks
- Hard hats in designated areas, such as house demolition
- Safety handrails on open stairways, loft areas
- Clean job sites at the end of the day and especially at the end of the week
- Job site needs to be secure over night or for weekend; doors, windows closed, job site workboxes should be locked and out of site
- **In the event of a serious accident on site - call (911) and remember to act calmly**
 - Have the injured individual transported to the nearest emergency facility (get that location)
 - If the team leader is not on the site, contact the them (if a family member is also on the trip contact them)
 - Contact the rebuild organization to report the accident, fill out the incident form
 - Go to the emergency facility and wait for the team leader and/or family member to arrive
 - Debrief with the entire volunteer team to reassure the group once definitive care is settled