



## **WORK PLAN**

This Work Plan is designed and created to establish and maintain a safe work environment for workers, residents, building staff and everyone else involved in the safe performance of the work.

Every primary suspension line and lifeline;

- (a) shall be rigged in accordance with generally accepted rigging practice;
- (b) shall be rigged so that each line hangs vertically from the roof or access level to the ground or level of egress of a worker using the line;
- (c) shall have a breaking strength of at least ten times the static load that the line is intended to support;
- (d) shall have each connecting end wrapped around a protective thimble and securely fastened,
  - (i) by means of a swagged fitting or eye splice, if applied by the manufacturer of the line, or
  - (ii) if the line is a wire rope, by a minimum of three clamps;
- (e) shall be inspected before each day's use by a competent person who shall report any defects or damage to a supervisor; and
- (f) shall not be used when defective or damaged.

Every primary suspension line for a boatswain's chair or similar single-point suspension equipment that is made of organic or polymer fibres,

- (a) shall be doubled from the anchor point or point of suspension of the line to the ground or egress level;
- (b) shall be permanently marked with,
  - (i) the name of the manufacturer,
  - (ii) the date of manufacture of the line, and
  - (iii) the length of the line;
- (c) shall be protected from abrasion;
- (d) shall be used only with a descent control or similar device;
- (e) shall be tested by a recognized testing laboratory twenty-four months from the date of manufacture of the line and once every twelve months thereafter for compliance with clause (1) (c); and
- (f) shall be discarded,
  - (i) where it is found not to comply with clause (1) (c),
  - (ii) in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations,  
or
  - (iii) when it is no longer safe for use,

Every boatswain's chair,

- (a) shall have a seat at least 600 millimetres long and 250 millimetres wide of one piece construction capable of supporting 225 kilograms;
- (b) shall be supported by a sling constructed of wire rope of at least nine millimetres that crosses underneath the seat;
- (c) shall not be used where the descent exceeds ninety metres;

- (d) shall only be used to clean windows within arm's reach of a worker who is freely suspended on the primary support line; and
- (e) shall not be used when a worker is using corrosive substances or solutions for window cleaning.