

Task / Activity	Hazardous Events and Potential Causes	Group / Individual at Risk	Likelihood	Severity	Risk	Controls and Precautions Implemented to Reduce Risk	Risk Assessment with Controls in Place	Date Assessed	Date Re-assessed	Assessed By
Use of Ladders	Falls associated with the use of ladders	WAT restoration team	Likely	Major injury, fatality	High	Where possible avoid using ladders. Ladders must always be positioned on a firm, level base. If the ground is not firm create a suitable temporary surface and/or use base boards. If it is not level either use a propriety stability device or level the ground.  Ladders should always be secured from movement, preferably by securely tying the top of the ladder. If this is not possible then tying off part way up or at the bottom is preferable to only footing the ladder. Footing in addition to other precautions is acceptable.  Ladders should always extend at least 1m (3 rungs) beyond where the person is working or where the person will step on/off the ladder (if used for access).  The ladder should be placed at a suitable angle, ideally 75 degs (1 out for each 4 up).	Low	18/09/2005	28/04/2020	RAO Re-assessed by M Wright
	Falls resulting from the use of a ladder not suitable for the purpose or one in poor condition.	WAT restoration team	Likely	Major injury, fatality	High	Ensure that the ladder is in good condition before it is used and also that it is suitable for the task being undertaken. Do not "make do" or use a defective ladder. Check the ladder stiles, rungs, feet and any locking mechanism (extending ladders) before use.	Low	18/09/2005	28/04/2020	RAO Re-assessed by M Wright