

## Don't Fall for It!

CPWR - The Center for Construction Research and Training and the New Jersey State Building & Construction Trades Council are involved in a campaign to reduce falls on the job. Your candid responses to this survey will provide critical information for our campaign and help us expand this initiative in the future. Before answering the survey questions, please provide us with the following demographic information:

1. (Circle one):      Apprentice                  Journeyman                  Foreman
2. Trade \_\_\_\_\_ Years in trade \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_
3. Race (circle one): White (non-Hispanic)      Black      Hispanic      Other \_\_\_\_\_
4. Have you ever fallen from a ladder on the job?      YES                  NO
  - a. If yes, how far did you fall? (circle one):      Less than 6 feet                  6 feet or more
  - b. If yes, how much work did you miss? (circle one):  
no time      part of a day      part of a week      a full week      over a week      over a month
5. Last 4 digits of Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_ (for survey processing use only)

-----  
*We would like to follow up with you in a few months to assess the value of our campaign information. Following up with you at home will be brief, but it will help us to make our campaign as effective as possible. Please be assured that your personal information is for contact purposes only. It will be kept confidential and will not be attached to your survey responses or demographic information.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Best time of day to reach you by phone (circle all that apply):      morning                  afternoon                  evening

*Please turn to the next page and complete both sides of the survey. Thank you for your participation.*

# Don't Fall for It! Survey #1

last 4 digits of SS# \_\_\_\_\_

## Section 1: When using a ladder BEFORE today, how often would you... (circle ONE):

1. Inspect the ladder for damage before using it?  
Always      Sometimes      Never      Don't know what this means
2. Clear away debris at the base and top before using it?  
Always      Sometimes      Never      Don't know what this means
3. Extend a straight ladder three feet above the working surface?  
Always      Sometimes      Never      Don't know what this means
4. Tie a straight ladder off at the bottom?  
Always      Sometimes      Never      Don't know what this means
5. Tie a straight ladder off at the top?  
Always      Sometimes      Never      Don't know what this means
6. Set a straight ladder at a 75-degree angle (4 to 1 ratio)?  
Always      Sometimes      Never      Don't know what this means
7. Use three-point climbing?  
Always      Sometimes      Never      Don't know what this means
8. Carry loads by hand up the ladder?  
Always      Sometimes      Never      Don't know what this means
9. Keep your body within the ladder rails at all times?  
Always      Sometimes      Never      Don't know what this means
10. Sit on a step?  
Always      Sometimes      Never      Don't know what this means
11. "Walk" the ladder while on it to change ladder position?  
Always      Sometimes      Never      Don't know what this means
12. Work less than 10 feet from power lines?  
Always      Sometimes      Never      Don't know what this means
13. Stand on the top step of a stepladder?  
Always      Sometimes      Never      Don't know what this means
14. Climb the back of a stepladder?  
Always      Sometimes      Never      Don't know what this means
15. Use an unopened stepladder like a straight ladder?  
Always      Sometimes      Never      Don't know what this means

*Please complete the reverse side.*

# Don't Fall for It! Survey #1

last 4 digits of SS# \_\_\_\_\_

## Section 2: Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with each statement (circle ONE).

1. Very few deaths in construction are caused by falls from ladders.  
Disagree      Agree      Not Sure
2. Fall protection programs cover ladder safety.  
Disagree      Agree      Not Sure
3. If I fall on the job, it probably won't change the way I live my life.  
Disagree      Agree      Not Sure
4. Inspecting a ladder before using it is critical to my safety.  
Disagree      Agree      Not Sure
5. I am unlikely to die or suffer a serious injury by falling only a few feet.  
Disagree      Agree      Not Sure
6. Before today, I was likely to report any ladder safety problem to my supervisor.  
Disagree      Agree      Not Sure
7. Falling on the job would have little economic impact on me or my family.  
Disagree      Agree      Not Sure
8. Workers' Compensation will not cover all the costs of a work-related injury.  
Disagree      Agree      Not Sure
9. An excellent estimate of proper ladder angle is to stand with your feet at the base and reach out; if your finger tips touch the ladder, the angle is good.  
Disagree      Agree      Not Sure
10. Most falls on the job result in lost time.  
Disagree      Agree      Not Sure
11. I would refuse to work on an unsafe ladder.  
Disagree      Agree      Not Sure
12. I could probably catch myself if I fall from a ladder.  
Disagree      Agree      Not Sure

*Please return your completed survey to the front of the room. The film will begin shortly.*