

# Course Information

## Unit of Competency: RIIWHS204E Work Safely at Heights.

### Course Overview

This nationally recognised unit of competence from the RII - Resources and Infrastructure Industry Training Package is available for those who are already working in relevant industries where working at heights is a requirement. The participant, through a combination of theory and practical, will gain the necessary skill and knowledge to work safely in a broad range of situations using the various types of fall protection equipment. This unit of competence is aligned with Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS1891 with clear focus on compliance with the current codes of practice. It is also a great working at heights refresher course.

### Pre-requisite units

Nil

### Course requirements

Participants will need to have adequate English language, literacy and numeracy skills to be able to participate fully in the working safely at heights training.

Due to the duration of this course participants must already be working within industry.

### What does the course offer?

The program has been developed to provide students with general skills, background information and specific knowledge about working safely at heights, which is then applied in discussion, questioning, role-plays and practical application for the industry specific unit.

The program is delivered 'on-the-job' at the client's premises. Training delivery combines face-to-face trainer led theory classes and practical sessions. In most cases there will be no more than 10 students in any class.

Students are provided with all required course material including a training manual that covers all parts of the course. Additional material will be made available during training sessions if required.

Forkpro Australia, as far as is practical, will ensure that employers and students are kept informed of their progress throughout the training and assessment process.

### Course Outline

- Course introduction
- Reference documents/legislation
- Statistics of working at height
- Definitions
- Connectors
- Energy absorbers
- Harnesses – inspection, fitting & use
- Fall arrest devices
- Roles and responsibilities of key personnel
- Risk management
- Fall prevention methods & options
- Estimating fall distances/clearances

- Emergency procedures
- Anchor point requirements
- General safety points
- Use of ladders
- Service & inspection requirements
- Practical exercises
- Assessment – theory and practical

#### Learning outcome

Participants will gain the following knowledge and skills on completion of the workplace heights safety course:

- Identifying the work requirements
- Work procedures and instructions for the task
- Accessing and installing equipment
- Performing work at heights
- Cleaning up the work area

#### Course Outcome

Within 30 days of successful completion a nationally accredited “Statement of Attainment” will be supplied to the student (RIIWH5204E Work Safely at Heights).

#### Course Duration

8 Hours

Required pre-work:	Nil
In class theory training:	2 Hours.
In class practical training:	4 hours.
In class assessment:	2 hours.
All times may vary depending on existing level of competence, pace of learning, numbers in class, etc. The trainer will adapt the course in response to these factors.	

#### How are students assessed?

- Recognition of current skills and knowledge are available for components of this course.
- Students will undergo assessment via a combination of:
  - Workplace observation
  - Oral/written questioning
  - Practical exercise
- The oral/written assessment is “closed book” and no outside assistance is permitted. Groups can sit for the test at one time providing there is sufficient separation. The practical assessment requires the completion of set tasks using compliant equipment such as harness, lanyard, static lines and other fall systems.

#### What if I have a disability, learning difficulties or cannot write in English?

Students enrolling in courses where dangerous work in the workplace is required, must have English skills at a level that enables the safe performance of high risk work. It is important to evaluate these skills prior to deciding to enrol.

Support can be offered in various forms such as:

- Language Literacy and Numeracy evaluation.
- Verbal assessments.
- Additional training if required.
- Referral to support organisations.

It is best to discuss your situation prior to enrolling, as we may be able to offer a varied course structure or put in place some other strategies before enrolment. There are 2 sections of the course – training and assessment for the unit of competence. Therefore, it is important that we establish any support required before enrolment.

To discuss this please call us on 1300 789 606 or [enquiries@forkpro.com.au](mailto:enquiries@forkpro.com.au).

#### Site resource requirements.

Training is conducted on-site with the following requirements:

- Suitable training room with enough space to allow at least 1.5m separation each side of each student.
- The course is 8 hours so comfortable seating and desks/table is required.
- 240V power and a screen or clean white wall.

Forkpro Australia will provide all necessary training equipment to meet the requirements of the course. However, we will try to amalgamate the context of the training with the actual workplace.

#### Individual Requirements

- Students must be at least 18 years of age.
- Students must provide their Unique Student identifier (see [www.usi.gov.au](http://www.usi.gov.au)).
- 100 points of ID must be presented (one form must be photo ID)
- PPE appropriate to your work site must be brought to the assessment.

**NOTE: Persons residing in Australia on a STUDENT VISA cannot enrol in this course. All training for Student Visa holders must be through a CRICOS provider. See [www.training.gov.au](http://www.training.gov.au).**

For the full list of requirements please refer to our pre-enrolment course conditions available on our website at <http://forkpro.com.au/student-support>.

It is recommended that prospective students read the Learner Handbook available at the above web address also.

If you have any concerns or questions regarding the pre-enrolment conditions please call us on 1300 789 606 or email [enquiries@forkpro.com.au](mailto:enquiries@forkpro.com.au).

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