Height Hazard: Fall Protection Beyond the Roof Picture This



In the image, the worker is welding high above the ground with absolutely no fall protection—no harness, no anchor point, no guardrails, and no stable platform beneath him. He is balancing on a narrow beam while wearing flip-flops, offering zero traction or foot protection. His stance is unstable, and one misstep or spark could send him falling several meters. This behavior shows a complete disregard for height-safety protocols and puts him at immediate risk of a fatal fall.

A proper fall-protection system is essential whenever working at height, including a full-body harness, secure anchor point, and lifeline. Workers must

use stable, designated platforms or scaffolds with guardrails and wear appropriate PPE such as safety boots and welding gear. Employers should ensure training in height safety and enforce strict rules against unsafe footwear or improvised work positions. Following these controls prevents catastrophic falls and keeps height work compliant and secure.