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Jobsite Fall Protection Safety Audit Checklist

Operational Scope: This audit protocol establishes mandatory inspection standards for all elevated work areas, harnesses, and anchorage systems across active construction sites. The objective is to proactively identify fall hazards, verify compliance with OSHA Subpart M mandates, and mitigate the risk of elevation-related injuries.

MANDATORY PPE:	Full-Body Harness (ANSI Z359.11), Shock-Absorbing Lanyard / Self-Retracting Lifeline, Hard Hat with Chin Strap (ANSI Z89.1), Safety Glasses (ANSI Z87.1), Heavy-Duty Leather or Grip Work Gloves, Slip-Resistant Steel-Toe Safety Boots
PREREQUISITES:	Review active Site-Specific Fall Protection Plan (SSFFPP) | Verify all inspection personnel hold current competent person credentials | Ensure weather conditions permit safe elevated inspection activities

PERSONAL FALL ARREST SYSTEMS (PFAS) INSPECTION

#	COMPONENT / ITEM	VERIFICATION CRITERIA & ACCEPTANCE STANDARD	SEVERITY	STATUS
1	**Full-Body Harness Webbing & Stitching**	Webbing shows no cuts, fraying, chemical degradation, or extreme wear; load-bearing stitching is intact and undamaged.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**
2	**Harness Buckles, D-Rings & Adjusters**	All metal hardware is free of cracks, sharp edges, deformation, and severe rust or corrosion; mating buckles engage securely.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**
3	**Lanyards & Energy Absorbers**	Shock absorbers show no signs of deployment (intact deployment cover); snap hooks and carabiners feature self-closing, double-locking gates that function smoothly.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**
4	**Self-Retracting Lifelines (SRLs)**	Lifeline cable retracts fully without binding; braking mechanism locks securely when tested with a sharp tug.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**

JOBSITE ANCHORAGES & WALKING-WORKING SURFACES

#	COMPONENT / ITEM	VERIFICATION CRITERIA & ACCEPTANCE STANDARD	SEVERITY	STATUS
5	**Structural Anchorage Points**	Anchorages are certified by a qualified person to support at least 5,000 lbs per worker attached, or designed under a managed fall protection plan with a 2:1 safety factor.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**
6	**Floor & Roof Openings**	All skylights, hatchways, and floor holes are secured with heavy-duty covers labeled 'HOLE' or 'COVER' or guarded by standard toe-boarded railings.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**
7	**Scaffolding Guardrails & Platforms**	Scaffolds over 10 feet high feature complete top rails (38-45 inches), midrails, and toe boards; decking is fully planked with no hazardous gaps.	**Warning**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**
8	**Leading Edge & Perimeter Protection**	Standard guardrail systems, safety net systems, or monitored safety watch systems are actively deployed along unprotected sides and edges.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**

TRAINING, DOCUMENTATION & RESCUE PROTOCOLS

#	COMPONENT / ITEM	VERIFICATION CRITERIA & ACCEPTANCE STANDARD	SEVERITY	STATUS
9	**Fall Protection Training Records**	All personnel working at heights possess verifiable, up-to-date certification logs confirming comprehensive fall hazard recognition training.	**Warning**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**
10	**Jobsite Rescue Plan**	A site-specific written rescue plan is posted and accessible, detailing immediate steps and equipment required to retrieve a suspended worker within 15 minutes.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**

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