

The Danish Working Environment Authority (WEA)

The WEA is a government authority in Denmark, one of the functions of which is supervision of building and construction sites.

On Danish building sites, the provisions of Danish working environment legislation and associated guidelines apply.

The WEA has four Inspection Centres. Its head office is located in Copenhagen.

Inspection Centre staff includes specialists with knowledge of particular industries. Among these are inspectors specialising in the area of building and construction.

If you would like to find out more about the Danish legal provisions relating to building sites, you can find the information at www.at.dk.

Reaction

When visiting/inspecting your site, WEA inspectors will check whether your work is being performed in accordance with the Danish rules.

If they find anything that does not meet the requirements of the Danish rules, they have the following options:

Guidance: Giving advice and guidance on how your work can be performed in accordance with the Danish rules.

Improvement Notice: Issuing an Improvement Notice requiring the matter to be put right within a specified time limit.

Prohibition Notice: Ordering work to be stopped, in cases where there is an imminent substantial risk to your life and health or that of others.

Report to the Police: Making a report to the Police with a view to prosecuting you for gross recklessness in the performance of the work.

See also the folders on:

- Asbestos Work
- Scaffolding work
- Ladder work



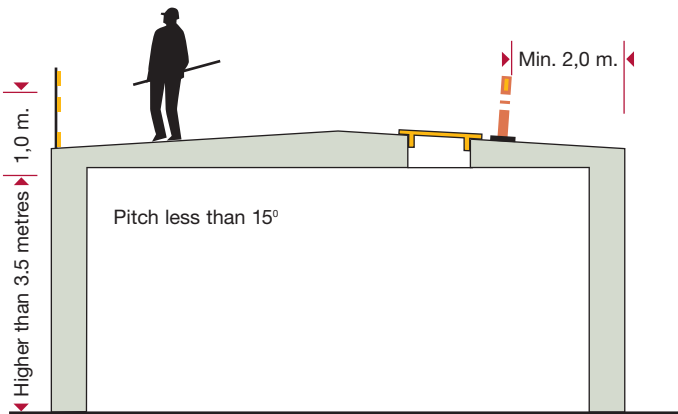
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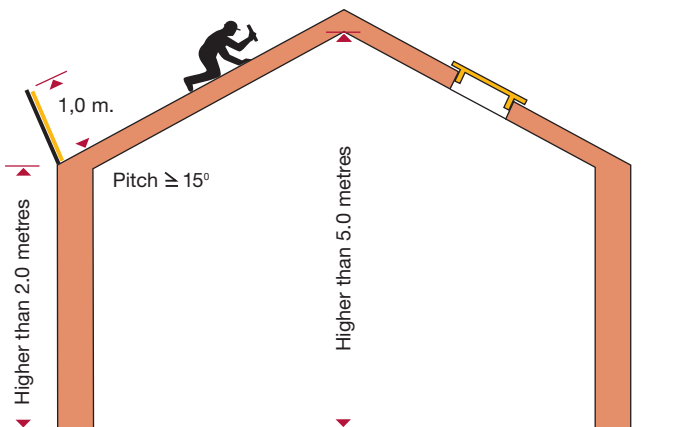
Working on roofs

Guard rails or scaffolding must be provided for the safety of roof work if the fall distance is greater than 3.5 metres.

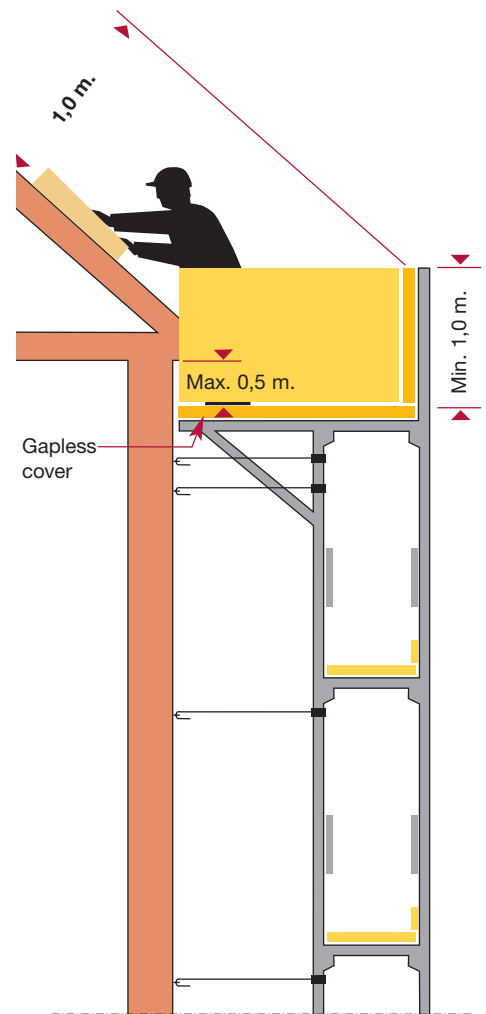
REMEMBER holes must always be covered.



With sloping roofs, safety can be ensured by scaffolding with guard rails or by catch barriers.



Scaffolding erected for roof work.



Safety netting or other fall protection must be mounted where there is a danger of falling into the building, for example when putting up purlins, roof cassettes, trapezoidal sheets or woodcrete sheets, if the fall distance is greater than 2 metres.

When laying roofing, safety netting must be mounted and walking boards must be used if the batten spacing – from edge to edge – is greater than 46 cm.

Guard rails must be mounted at the end of the building when work is to be carried out closer than 2 metres from the end wall. Materials must be distributed on the roof surface.

