

## JOB SITE SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT

PROJECT CONTRACTOR: [REDACTED]

PROJECT LOCATION: [REDACTED]

INSPECTION DATE: 8.17.16

FOREMAN: [REDACTED]

PURPOSE OF INSPECTION: Job Site inspection of work practices

SCOPE OF WORK: [REDACTED] was hired to remove existing asphalt shingled roof and install new roof. Site had combination of [REDACTED] employees and sub contractors.

### OSHA STANDARD CATEGORY

### SUMMARY COMMENTS

SUBPART C- General Safety and Health

Site had debris around ladder bases. Small amount of debris around site. Loose shingles were seen on all areas of work areas being re-roofed. Smoking was not permitted during work time. Air hoses for nail guns were placed to reduce trip hazards

SUBPART D – Occupational Environmental Controls

Drinking water was supplied by [REDACTED]. Missing were eye wash, first aid kits and hand washing.

SUBPART E – Personal Protective and Life Saving Equipment

Hard hats were worn by some [REDACTED] workers but no sub contractors. Eye protection was not visible during walkthrough. Ear protection was not required for tasks at hand. Reflective clothing or vests were not observed. Nail guns were in use – hard hats and high impact eye protection required.

SUBPART F – Fire Protection and Prevention

Fire extinguisher was in jobsite trailer.

SUBPART G – Signs and Barricades

No evidence of any barriers on site or work areas.

SUBPART H – Material Handling and Storage

See housekeeping comments.

SUBPART I – Tools – Hand and Power

Hand tools appear to be in good working condition. Nail guns were left connected while at lunch (see photo of gun hanging from gutter fully loaded and connected to compressor).

## SUBPART K – Electrical

Power cords were mix of 10/3, 12/3 gauge and 14/3. **Cords need to have gauge and duty rating stamped on cord. Need to supply GFCI Pigtails. Some cords were stamped.**

## SUBPART M – Fall Protection

### 1) Hoisting Areas

- a. Fall protection on ground area must be provided to protect any worker from objects falling. Warning lines around drop area 6' would work – and no worker is allowed in controlled access zone while hoist is in use.
- b. High pitch roof, **ALL WORKERS MUST BE TIED OFF 100% OF TIME.** Workers seen climbing up ladder, getting on roof, walking across entire length of roof to get to life lines. Workers on garage roof not tied off.

- 2) Harnesses, lanyards and life lines must be inspected daily before use.

## SUBPART X – Ladders

Tool Talk on basic ladder use was conducted along with OSHA ladder use card distributed by [REDACTED] Foreman.

Single Extension Ladders must be used according to Manufacturers Instructions:

- a) Maintain a 4:1 angle of use
- b) Must extend 3' above access point of exit
- c) Secured at top if feasible when used for worker access to roof
- d) Blocked or secured at base when used for worker access to roof

Worker without harness was seen on roof by inspector, climbing onto ladder laying on roof down to grade (see picture of ladder lying on garage roof)

Same worker later accessed roof off ladder, walked roof width to throw life lines and then back across roof to ladder to come down for lunch.

## SITE CONTROL

Supervisor control of all worker behavior needs to be increased. Workers appear not to listen well to foreman – could be language issue. Daily jobsite meeting prior to start of

work day would allow focus and to witness worker inspection of their harnesses. Supervisor seemed reluctant to take enforcement actions. Once he spoke to contractor owner (██████) he merely went about his business while clear offenses were not corrected immediately. Work should have been shut down until conditions were brought into compliance.

Life lines and anchorages must be inspected daily before allowing a worker to use by a competent person.

All working surfaces need to be inspected daily prior to allowing workers to access.

Roof had several areas of loose shingles lying on surface – fall hazard.

### **OBSERVATION NOTES:**

Initial visit for ██████. Evident of safety awareness at ██████ level but need tweaking especially in area of controlling site behavior. Above report identified most details.

Initially I decided to have enforcement go through site foreman due to sub contractor owner not on site yet. As leaving ██████ arrived. I went back into site to address issues firmly and clearly. Contractor was advised of conditions and told to correct immediately. Was verbally warned if conditions are observed again by any of his workers, they would be removed from site and not allowed back unless approved by ██████. Also advised that this would apply to ██████ replacing his firm as a work partner if conditions remain. Discussion was courteous but firmly stern.

Not convinced contractor has language issue with ██████ or simply lacks commitment to correct his crew's ways.

Intend on surprise follow up inspection over next few days to see if conditions improve or remain same.

Foreman has OSHA 10 level of safety training – initial impressions is that he is aware of issues but needs to correct old habits in order to successfully supervise projects in the future. Polite and knowledgeable individual but needs to establish to his crews what is accepted behavior and the consequences when actions are not allowed.

To Do List: 1) EAP program 2) Site Safety Plan 3) Hazcom Plan and 4) Lead Issues

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