

# National Safety Stand-Down to Prevent Falls in Construction – September 14–18, 2020

Falls are the number one cause of construction worker fatalities and account for one-third of all on-the-job deaths in the industry. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) is partnering with key groups to support this campaign focused on fall prevention. The partner organizations include the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), the National Occupational Research Agenda (NORA), OSHA approved State Plans, State consultation programs, the Center for Construction Research and Training (CPWR), the American Society of Safety Professionals (ASSP), the National Safety Council, the National Construction Safety Executives (NCSE), the U.S. Air Force, and the OSHA Training Institute Education Centers.

Anyone wanting to prevent hazards in the workplace can participate. The [OSHA National Safety-Down](#) page provides stand-down resources, including: materials to conduct a stand-down, videos, fact sheets, quizzes, training guides, and a list of OSHA regional events.

This year, the stand-down coincides with Construction Safety Week sponsored by contractors in the construction industry. Safety Week 2020 planning resources are available from the [Construction Safety Week](#) website.

For additional information on the SMCX's services, please visit the SMCX-hosted website at: <https://www.smscx.org/>.



**NATIONAL SAFETY STAND-DOWN**  
TO PREVENT FALLS IN CONSTRUCTION

SEPTEMBER 14–18, 2020

**Stop Falls Stand-Down**

- Plan a toolbox talk or other safety activity
- Take a break to talk about how to prevent falls
- Provide training for all workers

For more information:  
[www.osha.gov/StopFallsStandDown](http://www.osha.gov/StopFallsStandDown)  
#StandDown4Safety • 1-800-321-OSHA (6742)

Logos for OSHA, CDC, NIOSH, and a warning sign: Safety Pays. Falls Cost.

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