

## KCA TOOL BOX TALK: Top Ten Fall Protection Mistakes

A tool is most effective when the user knows how to operate it properly, so it can achieve its intended purpose. This is especially true when the tool is an element of a fall protection system. Misuse of this equipment can lead to a serious injury or fatality, and damage to the equipment itself.

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## **Common Fall Protection Mistakes:**

- 1. Misuse of rebar snap hooks.
- 2. Inappropriate anchorage connections.
- 3. Insufficient anchorage strength.
- 4. Anchoring below dorsal D-ring.
- 5. Confusing twin-leg energy-absorbing and self-retracting devices.
- 6. Using damaged and recalled equipment.
- 7. Improper fit of equipment.
- 8. Misuse of leading-edge self-retracting devices.
- 9. Not meeting warning line system requirements.
- 10. Poorly designed horizontal lifelines.

For more information visit OSHA REGULATIONS: 1926.501, 1926.502, 1926.503