



**DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**  
**BUILDING & SAFETY**  
**LADDER REQUIREMENTS**

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**LADDER REQUIREMENTS FOR ROOFTOP AND ATTIC INSPECTIONS**

**THE CUSTOMER REQUESTING THE INSPECTION IS REQUIRED TO PROVIDE THE LADDER.**

**The following are the ladder requirements for rooftop inspections:**

- Manufactures labels and marking must be visible and legible.
- Extension ladders must be a minimum Type I heavy-duty industrial.
- Extension ladders must be capable of supporting a minimum of 250 lbs.
- Telescoping, folding or A-frame type ladders are **unacceptable.**
- Ladder must be set up on the shortest possible route to area of inspection or anchorage point.
- Ladders must be capable of extending 36 inches (3') above the eave or fascia line.
- Ladders must extend at a slope of 4 to 1 or 75 degrees.
- Ladders must be firmly secured in place to prevent displacement at the eave.
- Ladders must have slip resistant bases for either firm or soft surfaces.
- Nonconductive ladders are required around any electrical work or electrical lines.

**Additional requirements for rooftop inspections:**

- Anchorages for fall protection must be in place prior to inspection.
- Temporary anchorages shall be designed to support 5,000 lbs. per person.
- Multiple anchorages may be required for larger roofs.
- Anchorages may be omitted for roofs with slopes less than 2:12.
- Roof area must be clean and free of debris, saw dust, and trip hazards.
- All rooftop construction must be complete with no workers on the roof at the time of inspection.

**Additional requirements for attic inspection:**

- Provide an 8' or 10' A-frame type ladder.
- Ladder must be a minimum Type I heavy duty industrial.
- A frame ladders must be capable of supporting a minimum of 250 lbs.

**If any of the above items are not provided or in place, the inspection will fail.** In the event of a failed inspection, the Contractor may schedule one subsequent re-inspection at no additional cost. In the event that the installation fails twice for any of the items listed above, a re-inspection fee equal to the cost of one hour inspection time may be required before another inspection can be scheduled and performed.