

IRATA INTERNATIONAL TRAINING, ASSESSMENT AND CERTIFICATION SCHEME

MAJOR DISCREPANCIES

THE FOLLOWING IS A NON-EXHAUSTIVE LIST OF MAJOR DISCREPANCIES (FAIL):

1. One point of safety attachment while in suspension;
2. Unable to complete the task;
3. Excessive time period;
4. No back-up to protect against a potential out-of-control swing that may cause injury or damage in
5. The event of failure of an item of equipment;
6. Harness unsecured;
7. Anchor lanyards and device lanyards, e.g. cow's tails, tied or attached dangerously;
8. No helmet at height;
9. Critical harness connectors unfastened or unsecured, e.g. screw links (maillon rapides);
10. Misuse causing damage to equipment;
11. Unsuitable choice of rope protection measures;
12. Uncontrolled descent during rescue;
13. Descending device threaded incorrectly and used in that manner;
14. Back-up or other devices used upside down;
15. No safety attachment close to an exposed edge;
16. Excessive slack in connection to an ascending device used as a point of attachment;
17. Critical safety issues as defined by the Assessor;
18. A swing that could cause injury to personnel or damage to equipment or property.



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MINOR DISCREPANCIES

THE FOLLOWING IS A NON-EXHAUSTIVE LIST OF MINOR DISCREPANCIES (DIS):

1. Descending device not locked off or no control of the tail rope;
2. Attachment connectors not secured;
3. Critical personal fall protection equipment dropped;
4. Rope protection incorrectly placed;
5. No braking karabiner used when required;
6. Harness incorrectly adjusted;
7. Helmet chinstrap unfastened;
8. Critical personal fall protection equipment missing from the harness set-up;
9. Tangles of ropes;
10. Poor management of back-up device (major if critical);
11. Work positioning lanyards such as cow's tails positioned greater than fall factor 1;
12. Excessive slack in connection to an ascending device used as a point of attachment (major if critical);
13. Considerable time taken to perform the task;
14. Unconventional or untrained techniques used;
15. A small out-of-control swing.

