

Safety Requirements

The following requirements shall apply to the use of equipment on all buildings at least three stories or above. The Contractor shall meet with the VA Safety Officer within seven (7) days prior to the start of window cleaning and forty-five (45) days after continuous cleaning to review and verify the inspection of all permanent window cleaning equipment installed on rooftops. This shall include platform supports, roof anchors, window cleaner belt anchors, and permanent ladders.

The Contractor shall have the Safety Officer review maintenance records and inspection documents for window cleaning equipment within seven (7) days prior to the start of window cleaning and forty-five (45) days after continuous cleaning prior to the use of said equipment. The Contractor shall provide load ratings, intended use, and limitations for all window-cleaning equipment. The Contractor shall have the Safety Officer inspect all equipment and verify that it can be supported at the point where the equipment is attached to the building.

The Contractor shall provide a "Plan of Service" to the Contracting Office and Safety Officer within 15 days of award. The Plan of Service shall include:

- a. The manner of compliance with all local, state, and federal laws, regulations, codes, and standards.
- b. Proof of training or certification.
- c. The Contractor's fall-arrest systems, rope-descent systems, and other window cleaning-related equipment safety plans.
- d. Documentation of all required inspections and certifications of all equipment.

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