

(Effective October 1, 2020)

WAC 296-880-30020 Powered platforms. This section applies to permanent powered platform installations dedicated to interior or exterior building maintenance of a specific structure or group of structures under the scope of chapter 296-870 WAC, Powered platforms.

(1) Building owner certifications. The employer must obtain written certification from the building owner of any building with a powered platform installation that was completed or had major modification done after July 23, 1990, that the building and equipment meets the requirements of new installations-buildings in WAC 296-870-600 and new installations-equipment in WAC 296-870-700.

Note: The building owner needs to base the certification on:

1. The field test of the installation done before it is first placed into service or following any major modification to an existing installation; and
2. All other relevant available information including, but not limited to:
 - a. Test data;
 - b. Equipment specifications;
 - c. Verification by a registered professional engineer.

(2) The employer must obtain written certification from the building owner that the installation:

(a) Has been inspected, tested, and maintained as required by inspection, testing, and maintenance in WAC 296-870-300; and

(b) All fall protection anchorages meet the requirements of WAC 296-880-40020.

(3) The employer must prohibit employees from using the installation until the building owner has provided the required written certifications.

(4) The employer must protect employees on working platforms with a personal fall arrest system that meets the requirements of WAC 296-880-40020.

(5) The employer must ensure employees working on a roof or other elevated working surface four feet or more above a lower level are protected in accordance with WAC 296-880-200.

Additional requirements for powered platforms can be found in chapter 296-870 WAC, Powered platforms.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 49.17.010, 49.17.040, 49.17.050, 49.17.060, and chapter 49.17 RCW. WSR 20-12-091, § 296-880-30020, filed 6/2/20, effective 10/1/20.]