

# Temporary Floor Openings Must be Secure

A worker fell through an insecure opening on a roof during a construction project.

A fire-damaged warehouse was being re-insulated and rebuilt. A hole which had been cut in the roof by the fire department was covered by a sheet of plywood. A worker on the roof picked up the plywood, not realizing it covered the hole, and fell through the opening.

He fell to a concrete floor nearly 30 feet below. He suffered multiple injuries in the fall and died.

*All such temporary openings must be securely covered and warnings posted immediately to prevent such falls.*