

UNDERSTANDING THE SAFETY STANDARDS

BS2037 Class 1:

For heavy duty where relatively high frequency and onerous conditions of use, carriage and storage occur.

EN131:

For medium duty where relatively low frequency and reasonably good conditions of use, carriage and storage occur.

All Werner products have been extensively tested for build quality and performance and conform to the relevant British and European standards.



Working at Height Regulations (WAHR) 2005

This legislation makes it compulsory for tradesmen to undertake risk assessments and planning. This must include the proper selection of work equipment.

- Always select the correct ladder for the job. Check the type of product, the working height required and the maximum safe working load.
- Always select a ladder that meets the required standards, if in doubt select a stronger product.

Buying Guide

Why is it so important?

Choosing the right type of ladder for your needs is very important. The difference between choosing the right and wrong ladder is crucial in terms of your safety when using ladders when working. Having the wrong type of ladder may cause you to stretch when working making you unbalanced and raise your risk of falling off.

The environment you are working in also plays a big part in your ladder choice. If you work in a wet or damp environment you will need gripping rungs and feet on your ladder to stop you and your ladder from slipping.

Types of Ladder

The three main types of ladder are stepladders, combination ladders and extension ladders. The uses and functions are explained below.

Stepladders

Stepladders are good low level working ladder. They have a wide foot spread for good balance and make the ladder stay solid. The ladder is hinged in the middle and folds out to provide four feet. This also makes storing the stepladder very easy. It has wide rungs to give your foot a big base to stand on, enabling you to balance with ease. Suitable for decorating, changing bulbs and other low level working scenarios.



Combination Ladders

If you are looking for one ladder for all jobs, then a combination ladder offers the greatest flexibility. Werner combination ladders can be configured into various modes using easy to operate hinge or sliding mechanisms and have compact folded dimensions so are easy to store and transport. All Werner combination ladders offer Stepladder, Extension Ladder and Stairwell modes, with some models giving even greater versatility with the addition of freestanding extension and other positions. Werner combination ladders meet or exceed all relevant UK safety standards and come with a 25 year manufacturer's guarantee.



Extension Ladders

Ideal for accessing greater heights, Werner Extension ladders offer Performance Optimised Design ensuring maximum strength, durability and safety. Available in both fibreglass and aluminium, in double and triple section models and with a range of stile profiles and rung options all Werner Extension Ladders meet or exceed relevant UK safety standards and come with a 25 year manufacturer's guarantee. Please contact your nearest service centre for full details.

