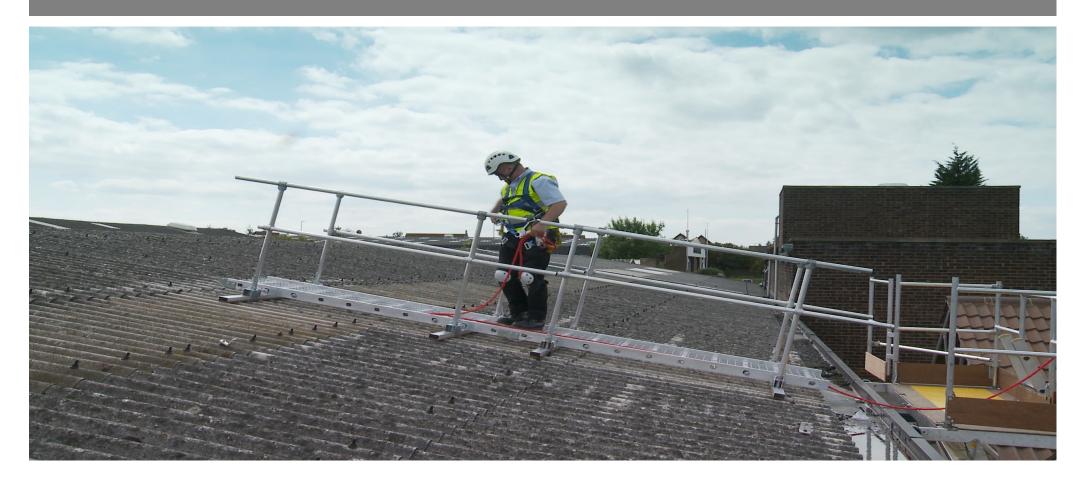


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### **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

Before assembling the Board-Walk for the first time, it is highly recommended that Installers familiarise themselves with the component parts and carry out a test assembly and disassembly in a safe area away from the point of final installation. All component parts detailed in the operating instructions must be used in the assembly of the system. Should a piece be missing or appear defective do not continue to assemble and contact Easi-Dec Immediately.

## SAFETY REQUIREMENTS:

The Board-Walk has been designed to allow temporary access to be gained on fragile roof surfaces. It is not designed to be permanently left on a roof. Prior to Board-Walk being used on any roof surface, it is essential that:

1. The roof structure is checked to ensure it can take the weight being applied.

2. A risk assessment is carried out and a method statement is prepared.

3. The operative assembling the system must be competent and fully trained in the use of the product and work at height.



A. Lay out the components ready for assembly



C. Repeat step B for the second batten



**B.** Attach the first support batten to the underside of the Board-Walk section using the captivated pins in the holes in the stiles (mesh side is the top)



**D.** Tie a strap or rope to the top rung of the Board-Walk in preparation for lowering it onto the roof



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**E.** Attach your restraint lanyard to the Easi-Dec platform or a secure point before lowering the Board-Walk. Insert the top uprights into the batten sockets and secure with the pins and 'R' clips supplied.



**F.** With the strap / rope tied on securely lower the Board-Walk panel onto the roof. You will need to repeat these steps for further Board-Walk panels



**G.** Before stepping onto the Board-Walk insert the second uprights into the batten and insert the pin and 'R' clip required



**H.** Position the mid-rails over the upright posts taking care not to stand on the Board-Walk at this stage.



**I.** Fit the top rails into position over the uprights and tighten the grub screws.

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### **CONNECTING BOARD-WALK (A)**

J. When connecting additional Board-Walk sections together follow steps D & E in these instructions for laying the Board-Walks into position.



### WORKING FROM THE BOARD-WALK

**M.** Where required a section of handrail can be removed. To facilitate this safely ensure the operative is working in restraint and suitably connected to the board walk restraint safely line.



#### **CONNECTING TO THE SAFETY LINE**

**K.** Remember to connect onto the restraint safety line with an adjustable lanyard. Remember to continually adjust the adjustable lanyard to remain in a work restraint position.



### WORKING FROM THE BOARD-WALK

**N.** Ensure at all times a work restraint position is maintained in the absence of full handrail protection. The short lanyard will stop you from over reaching and allow you to work safely.



### **CONNECTING BOARD-WALK (B)**

L. Standing on the first Board-Walk, slide through the locking pin. When the locking pin is in place secure with the supplied 'R' clip. Repeat stages b-j to complete the assembly of further board walk units to reach the desired position

#### **DISMANTLING THE BOARD-WALK**

Simply follow the instructions in reverse order to safely dismantle a Board-walk installation



# **Board-Walk Pre-Use Checks**

- Always carry out a risk assessment and method statement
- Check the structure of the roof can take the loads being applied
- Always ensure the area below where you are working is clearly marked to stop people from encroaching
- Ensure the short lanyard will restrict you from leaning more than one arms length away from the boardwalk.
- The safety line should be positioned on the opposite side of the Board-Walk to the working area.
- Edge protection must be provided to comply with current working-at-height regulations and hierarchy of controls
- Always clip onto the safety-line fixed to one side of the Board-Walk with a restraint lanyard
- The maximum load capacity is 150kg per Board-Walk (this is subject to roof type, structure and survey)

# **Board-Walk Recertification**



Periodic inspections by a competent person are required under the Temporary Work Equipment Directive 2009/104/EC – use of work equipment and Section 12 of the Work at Height Regulations. The frequency will depend upon environment, location and utilisation, but should be at least every 12 months or before and after each use whichever soonest.

Visually inspect the complete system before installation ensuring all component parts are present.

Ensure the system has not been modified/tampered with by unauthorised persons.

#### DETAILED COMPONENT INSPECTION:-

#### Boardwalk Underside & Topside

- ▷ Check complete frame for distortion, cracks or dents.
- Check complete mesh for cracks, breaks and or missing rivets.
- Ensure that the hand rail sockets are in good condition so that the fitting of handrails and pins are not affected.
- Check safety line for wear & tears, breaks and ensure it is correctly secured to the boardwalk.
- CHECK FOR ANY GENERAL CORROSION.

#### **Battens**

- Check for any general corrosion.
- Check the pins snap into position on their own accord and that they are not stuck in the open position.

#### Handrail

- Check the top and mid rail for distortion or dents. Ensure all fittings are fitted to the rails and grub screws are in position.
- Check the handrail upright posts for distortion, cracks or dents. Ensure that this does not affect the fitting of the pin assembly.
- Check for any general corrosion.

#### General

- Once all other inspection points are completed, check that the whole device is fixed securely in position with no obvious distortions in balance.
- Always keep a log of all inspections and comments.





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