

Ladder Register

Covering EN 131 portable ladder standard

Ladder number	Class	Inspection date	Inspected by

LADDER TESTING

1. ALUMINIUM LADDERS

- 1.1 Load testing of ladders is not recommended.**
- 1.2 Check for distortion by sighting along the stiles.**
- 1.3 Check for tightness of rungs in stiles in the same manner as for timber ladders.**
- 1.4 Check ropes, pulleys and fittings**
- 1.5 Ensure that all rivets and fastenings are secure.**
- 1.6 Check for corrosion.**
- 1.7 Inspect anti-slip end pieces for wear and ensure that they are not loose.**
- 1.8 Inspect for flaws and cracks.**

LADDER INSPECTION - CHECKLIST

1. GENERALLY

Are there -

- (a) missing steps or rungs;**
- (b) loose steps or rungs (they are considered loose if they can be moved at all by hand);**
- (c) loose nails, screws, bolts or other metal parts;**
- (d) cracked, split, very worn or broken stiles, braces, steps or rungs;**
- (e) splinters on stiles, rungs or steps;**
- (f) damaged or worn non-slip bases;**
- (g) twisted or distorted stiles;**
- (h) is the identification mark missing or illegible?**

2. STEPLADDERS

- (a) is it wobbly from side strain?
- (b) are there loose or bent hinge spreaders?
- (c) is the stop on the hinge spreader broken?
- (d) are there broken, split or worn steps?
- (e) are there loose hinges?
- (f) are there worn, broken or missing cords?

3. EXTENSION LADDERS

Are there -

- (a) loose, broken or missing extension locks;
- (b) defective locks that do not seat properly when ladder is extended;
- (c) rusted or corroded metal parts;
- (d) worn, broken or badly deteriorated cords;

Reference Sources

Ladder Association Website