

Falls are a leading cause of serious injuries and fatal incidents in workplaces and homes across Canada. A nation-wide standard incorporating the latest research can help reduce the risks of incidents involving ladders.

CSA Z11 – *Portable Ladders*, one of CSA's oldest and most respected standards, addresses the safe design and performance of both professional-use and consumer ladders. The standard also provides direction on the proper selection of ladders for various applications as well as the safe use, inspection, and care of portable ladders. The 2018 edition is designed to meet the demanding needs of work carried out under the harshest Canadian conditions. This helps to increase employer, contractor, and consumer confidence in the performance of compliant ladders throughout their useful life.

Like most CSA health and safety standards, CSA Z11 is intended to apply to ladders used in all occupational sectors, across the country. The guidance contained in CSA Z11 can be used as part of an approved working-at-heights training program.

Highlights:

- Added provisions for tripod ladders, articulated ladders, articulated extendable ladders, and telescoping ladders;
- Harmonized with new editions of ANSI/ASC A14.2 and ANSI/ASC A14.5;
- New tests for side-rail cantilevers, slip tests for ladder feet on various surfaces, and front and rear rail drop tests
- Added provisions for new and updated safe use markings
- Expanded guidance on safe use and inspection of ladders; and many new and revised figures and safety pictograms.

Related Products:

- CSA B354 series of standards on Powered Work Platforms
- CSA Z259 series of standards on Fall Protection
- CSA Z797-18, Code of Practice for Access Scaffold
- ANSI/ASC Al4 series of standards on Safety Requirements for Ladders

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