

Frequently Asked Questions

PenoGuard™ - a better way to safeguard your workers. Fall protection for penetrations and openings in Confined Space, Civil and Construction applications.

1. What is PenoGuard™

PenoGuard™ is a 2 in 1 safety device that protects against falls through unguarded penetrations. In the closed position it serves as a cover for access holes eliminating any risk of falling through, in the open position it acts as a four sided guard rail allowing easy access to the penetration while protecting workers and bystanders around the hole.

2. Why are there three different models?

PenoGuard™ has been designed to increase the safety of workers around penetrations in a variety of industries, as such it is available in three standard models ideal for Construction, Confined Space & Civil applications where working in or around penetrations is a common occurrence. Each model was developed to enhance the installation/operation specific to its environment.

3. Why would I use PenoGuard™?

The common industry practice of utilising pieces of plywood or makeshift guard rails to prevent workers and innocent bystanders from falling through access holes and penetrations does not provide the adequate level of safety that each worker deserves, as is evident by the number of accidents leading to serious injury and even death as a result of falls through unguarded penetrations. PenoGuard™ also provides a high level of compliance, safety and peace of mind, by providing a better way to safeguard your workers.

4. Is PenoGuard™ Safe?

Yes, once secured, using PenoGuard™ to cover, access or work around penetrations is the safest method, allowing you to safely work around or access the penetration via a four sided guard rail.

5. How do I secure the PenoGuard™?

PenoGuard™ is secured in different methods based on the model being used. Depending on the surface, the Construction model is secured to the floor by the use of nails, screws or bolts. The Civil model is secured to the access hole by means of integral side locking screws. The Confined space model is fixed over the opening by clamping it down to the davit system.

6. Do I need to purchase any additional components/fixings to install PenoGuard™?

Fixings are only required with the PenoGuard™ Construction model, either 6 nails, screws or bolts. The "skid" design of the Civil model allows it to sit into the access hole and lock into place with the integral side locking screws. The Confined Space model simply attaches to the DBI-SALA Advanced Davit base and locks into place with the integral clamps.

7. When used as a cover how do I prevent it from being opened?

The use of a standard padlock through the PenoGuard™ mesh will prevent unauthorised access by workers or bystanders.

8. Is PenoGuard™ available to suit different sized holes?

PenoGuard™ is available in three different models: Construction, Confined Space and Civil, in standard sizes, to cover the majority of all applications. However, customisation is available with the Construction and Civil application models where the need to access larger sized openings may arise.

9. Can PenoGuard™ be used in any other applications?

Yes, PenoGuard™ can also be placed over protruding trip or fall hazards on a variety of job sites to serve as a temporary measure to protect workers and bystanders in the vicinity, making it a versatile and handy piece of equipment.

10. Does PenoGuard™ comply with all applicable standards and regulations?

Yes, PenoGuard™ conforms to AS3610 and AS1170.

Contact Capital Safety for more information on DBI-SALA's range of PenoGuard™ Fall Protection Systems available for Confined Space, Civil and Construction applications, or visit www.penoguard.capitalsafety.com.au. Alternatively scan the QR Code to the right with your smart phones QR scanner/reader. QR readers are available for free from your mobiles app store.



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