



QUALIFIED PERSON & COMPETENT PERSON COMPARISON

Fall Hazard Risk Consultants

	QUALIFIED PERSON	COMPETENT PERSON
Definition	A person with a recognized degree or professional certificate and extensive knowledge and experience in the subject field who is capable of design, analysis, evaluation and specifications in the subject work, project or product.	A person who is capable of identifying hazardous or dangerous conditions in any personal fall arrest system or any component thereof, as well as in their application and use with related equipment
Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Has recognized degree or professional certificate and extensive knowledge, training and experience ▪ May or may not have an engineering degree ▪ Demonstrated ability to solve problems ▪ Could be supervisor or engineer ▪ Can select temporary and permanent anchorage points ▪ Can select fall arrest equipment ▪ Design and supervise installation and use of horizontal lifelines ▪ Design new anchorages and/or evaluate existing structure for anchorage capability 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Person who has successfully completed a “Competent Person” fall protection class ▪ Can select proper anchorage connection ▪ Can take prompt corrective measures when danger is imminent ▪ Capable of identifying hazardous or dangerous conditions in any PFAS or component ▪ Conducts periodic inspection and maintains fall arrest equipment and rescue and evacuation devices ▪ Ensure that any substitution or change to a personal fall protection system is evaluated to determine that it meets the standard ▪ May select temporary anchorage points during emergency situations