

## Fall Clearance Calculation Using an SRL

**BEFORE FALL** 

AH: Anchor Height

WH: Worker Height (standing)
CR: Clearance Required

FFD: Free Fall Distance

HS: Harness Stretch \*
SF: Safety Factor \*

SRL: Self Retracting Lanyard Length

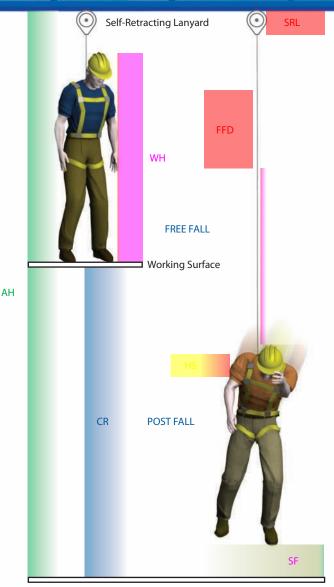
\*All added up = Total Fall Distance (TFD)

NOTE: Total Fall Distance (TFD) must be less than the Clearance Required (CR) (Total Fall Distance < Clearance Required)

- OSHA requires Free Fall Distance to be less than 24", but when using self-retracting lanyard (SRL), the typical activation distance is ~12".
   OSHA Regulation: FFD = <24"
   <p>Typical Performance: FFD = 12"
- OSHA requires a maximum of 42" for Deceleration Distance.
   OSHA Regulation: DD = 42"
   Typical Performance: DD = 12"
- Harness stretch is 12" even when harness is worn correctly.
   HS = 12"
- Safety Factor (18-36") can include factors like additional harness stretch, D-Ring movement and a buffer zone.
   SF= 24"

## **Anchor Height:**

Self Retracting Lanyard Length	= 18" (typical)
Free Fall Distance =	24"
Deceleration Distance =	42"
Harness Stretch =	12"
Worker Height =	60"
Safety Factor =	24"
Anchor Height:	180" (15 feet)



Lower Level Obstruction

## Fall Clearance:

Free Fall Distance	=		24"
Deceleration Distance	9	=	42"
Harness Stretch =			12"
Safety Factor =			24"

Total Fall Distance: 102" \* (8.5 feet)

\*Shorter Fall Distance may be achieved based on Typical Performance



