



NCLHIA -CHARLOTTE

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Your North Carolina Inspector Network

The EQUIPMENT EDITION 2020

Welcome to our special equipment edition of the
NCLHIA Charlotte Chapter Newsletter

We hope you find the information useful and
informative. But first a word from our sponsor
NCLHIA-Charlotte

NCLHIA MEMBERS FIRST

Don't take it from us. Hear and see what other home inspectors are
saying about NCLHIA and membership

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HITTING THE ROOF

If you're an inspector that likes to walk on the roof whenever you can. Having the necessary equipment is essential to ensure your safety and to provide the best roof walking experience possible. We've assembled a few of our best equipment recommendations to help you with this task.

ROOFING FOOT WEAR

Having the proper personal protection equipment is vital to the safety of a home inspector.

This starts at your feet as they are the primary point of contact with the roof surface. Having the right type of foot wear can make the difference on the type and slope of roof you may be able to safely walk.

Sure we know we all have your favorite foot wear, like to save money and swear that your Walmart shoes work as good or better then an expensive pair of roofing boots. Well our experience has been just like low priced home inspectors you get what you pay for!

RECOMMENDATION NUMBER 1

COUGARPAWS

Roofing Boots & Accessories



Cougar Paw roofing boots and shoes are designed with the professional roofer in mind and are perfect for home inspectors. They come in a boot style and a low rise seeker style.

The replaceable Velcro backed pads make for a long life and ensure the maximum safety of the user.

These boots while expensive typically cost in the \$150-175 range. The replaceable pads are around \$15-25 a pair and will last a long time when used for home inspections.

They even make a special magnetic pad for use on steel roofs.

<https://www.cougarpaws.com/>

Wearable Fall Protection

This product falls into the why didn't I think of that category.

So we covered foot wear and now you have a great pair of roofing shoe that stick like glue to most roof surfaces. What else could you need.

Well if you have ever stepped on a small twig, gum ball or acorn you know what happens, your foot slips a bit. If you're not prepared this could result in a fall. Now your boots may not be in contact with the roof surface and you will begin to slide quickly down the roof.

Enter wearable protection that fights gravity with friction and easily fits over your existing clothes.



RECOMMENDATION NUMBER 2



Steep Gear protective roofing clothing has an adjustable belt, zippered/elastic leg openings for extra room and a raised rubber pattern on the materials that grips on most type of roofing surfaces. They are easy to put on and take off over your existing clothes.

They are available directly from the manufacture on-line through their website and prices are listed at \$110 a pair.

<https://steepgear.com/product/steepgear-shorts/>

Our Final Hit the Roof Entry

When you just have to get on that steep roof and there is no easy way to access the area you want to see just how do can you gain safe and easy access with the least amount of effort?

Well you need to think and act like a goat! To be even more specific a Roof Goat.

RECOMMENDATION NUMBER 3



"CLIMB WITH CONFIDENCE"

The Roof Goat is a light weight portable system that is easily assembled from sections and stores in a compact storage bag.

The system is designed to provide safe access to steep slope roofs.



the Roof Goat is available on-line either directly from the manufacture or from a number of other on-line retailers like Amazon

The basic system that weights a total of 16 Lbs and is 20 feet in length retails for around \$500.

There are a number of options available and you can purchase additions section for extra reach

<https://www.thegoatsteepassist.com/>

So I know what you're saying why not just get a drone.
For now we're just addressing the old school hands on or should I say feet on inspectors.

Don't worry we'll cover drones in a future issue

Send comments and suggestions to us at:

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