Rule 261N: Change “without permanent deformation” to “without excessive deformation.”

N. Climbing and working steps and their attachments to the structure

The strength required for all climbing devices (includes steps, ladders, platforms and their attachments) shall be capable of supporting 2.0 times the maximum intended load without permanent excessive deformation. Unless otherwise quantified by the owner, the maximum intended load shall be assumed to be 300 lb, which includes the weight of the lineman, harness, tools, and equipment being supported by the lineman.

NOTE: See IEEE Std 1307™-2004 [B52].