



Scaffolding Checklist

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Capacity:

- Scaffolds capable of supporting at least 4 times their maximum intended load

Scaffold Platform Construction:

- Scaffold platforms fully planked
- Scaffold planks extend over end supports 6-12 inches

Inspection:

- Scaffolds and components capable of supporting maximum intended load or rated capacities, whichever is less
- Inspect for visible defects
 - before each work shift and
 - after any occurrence which could affect scaffold's structural integrity

Access:

- Ladders' bottom rung not more than 24 inches above scaffold supporting level
- Safe access to platforms if cross braces not used as a means of access

Falling Object Protection:

- Hard Hats, Toeboards, Screens, Guardrail Systems, Debris Nets, Catch Platforms, Canopy Structures

Supported Scaffolds:

- Height to Base Width ratio of More than 4:1 – Ensure Scaffold restrained from tipping by guying, bracing, tying, or equivalent means

Suspension Scaffolds:

- Suspended by wire, synthetic or fiber ropes capable of supporting at least 6 times the load
 - Employees protected by lifeline and safety belt
- Securely fasten platforms to hangers by U-bolts or the equivalent
- If designed for a working load of:
 - 500 pounds – limited to 2 workers at any one time
 - 750 pounds – limited to 3 workers at any one time

Working More than 10 Feet (3.1 meters) from Ground or Lower Level:

- Scaffolds capable of supporting at least 4 times their maximum intended load
 - 4-10 ft high – Standard guardrails on all open sides and ends of platform