

Weekly Safety Meeting

Safety by Design hopes you and your team benefit from this Tool Box Talk. Please note that this Tool Box Talk is intended as an overview of key points regarding this subject and is not intended to be complete training in accordance with any regulatory standards. If you have any questions or would like to obtain the appropriate training, please call Safety by Design at (832) 425-0556, or email us at info@safetybydesigninc.com. Thank you, and remember to always stay safe.

<i>Company Name</i>	<i>Project Name</i>	<i>Supervisor</i>	<i>Date</i>

Scaffold safety

The Bureau of Labor Statistics' Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries (CFOI) reported 54 fatalities occurred in the year 2009 from scaffolds, staging. In a Bureau of Labor and Statistics (BLS) study, 72% of workers injured in scaffold accidents attributed the accident either to the planking or support giving way, or to the employee slipping or being struck by a falling object. All of these can be controlled by compliance with OSHA standards.

General:

- Scaffolds should be inspected every day, do not use a scaffold unless it's been inspected by a competent person. Inspections must be thorough and include things like securing the wheels, ensuring the platform is free of cracks, ensuring all components are in good condition, etc.
- Scaffold should not be overloaded and materials should be brought up as needed. Excess materials and scrap should be removed from the scaffold when work is completed.
- Check to see that platforms are closely boarded, fenced, and securely fastened.
- Keep platforms and the area around the scaffold free of debris and unnecessary material or other hazards that could cause you to trip or fall.
- Check access. If your scaffold is not equipped with a built-in ladder, be sure to have a safe means to ascend and descend.
- Employers must train each employee who works on a scaffold on the procedures to control or minimize the hazards.
- OSHA requires guard rails on all rolling and stationary scaffolds after 10 feet, but most contractors require them at 6 feet

Rolling Scaffold:

- Rolling scaffolds shall only be used on level surfaces.
- The height of rolling scaffold must not exceed four times the minimum base dimension. Use outriggers if additional height is needed.
- Caster brakes must be locked when the scaffold is not in motion.
- Get help when moving rolling scaffolds. Make certain that the route is clear. Watch for holes and overhead obstructions.
- Secure or remove all loose materials and equipment before moving scaffold

PLAY IT SAFE! DON'T TAKE CHANCES ON SCAFFOLDING! WHEN IN DOUBT, ASK YOUR SUPERVISOR.

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Additional Topics and Meeting Attendees on back:

ADDITIONAL TOPICS COVERED: (I.E. Hazcom, Emergency Plan)

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MEETING ATTENDEES:

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Basic Fire Safety

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