



Toolbox Safety Talks

Scaffolding

- 1) What are the hazards involved with scaffolding?
 - a. Falls resulting in lacerations, fractures, or death

- 2) What hazards should you look for before using scaffolding?
 - a. Training
 - b. Assembled properly
 - c. Secured properly
 - d. Toe boards
 - e. Signage
 - f. Scaffolding weight limits

- 3) What safe practices should be used when using scaffolding?
 - a. Make sure all scaffolding is erected, adjusted and dismantled by experienced, competent personnel
 - b. Make sure all uprights are provided with base plates
 - c. Make sure all uprights, ledgers, braces, and struts are in position
 - d. To prevent collapse, secure the scaffolding to the building or structure in as many places as is practical
 - e. To prevent falling, install double guard rails with toe boards at every edge
 - f. Provide additional brick guards to prevent falling materials
 - g. Fully board the working platforms and arrange the boards to avoid tipping or tripping
 - h. Place barriers and warning notices around the scaffolding to stop people from using incomplete scaffolds (e.g., where working platforms are not fully boarded, etc.)
 - i. Make sure the scaffolding is strong enough to carry the planned weight of materials and workers
 - j. Lock the wheels of tower scaffolds when in use
 - k. Make sure the platforms are empty when they are moved

- 4) What do we do with damaged scaffolding?
- 5) Who has been trained to erect scaffolding? Do we need additional training?
- 6) What is the weight limit of our scaffolding?
- 7) Has anyone had an accident or near-miss while erecting or working on scaffolding?
- 8) Can someone explain the procedures involved with inspecting scaffolding?



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Make Time for Safety, Everyday! – Yes, production is important, *but the focus must be on Safe Production!* Keep that in the back of your mind. Don't take risky chances and stay out of harm's way. Nobody goes to work thinking *'I'm going to get hurt or killed on the job, today!'* But every day 15,000-17,000 workers suffer disabling injuries on the job and another 11-17 are killed. ***What are you doing to make sure it doesn't happen on your shift?***

Keep stoking the fire; we can't let the 'Safety Train' run out of steam!

Date Presented: _____

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Attendance Sheet
