

TOOLBOX TALKS

SCAFFOLDING

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SAFETY TIPS

- Make sure all scaffolding is erected, adjusted and dismantled by experienced, competent personnel
- Make sure all uprights are provided with base plates
- Make sure all uprights, ledgers, braces and struts are in position
- To prevent collapse, secure the scaffolding to the building or structure in as many places as is practical
- To prevent falling, install double guard rails with toe boards at every edge
- Provide additional brick guards to prevent falling materials
- Fully board the working platforms and arrange the boards to avoid tipping or tripping
- 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.)
- Make sure the scaffolding is strong enough to carry the planned weight of materials and workers
- Lock the wheels of tower scaffolds when in use
- Make sure the platforms are empty when they are moved

Discussion Date: _____

Employee Participants:

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