

Scaffolds: Use (Construction)

Instructions: This checklist is intended to help you identify potential hazards in your workplace. The questions are based on applicable Federal OSHA standards. Keep in mind that additional state and local regulations may apply, depending upon your location. Please check one answer for each question. If you select “no,” you should investigate further to determine what corrective action may be needed to address the hazard. You can review the specific OSHA Standards outlined below at www.osha.gov/law-regs.html. Choose “General Industry” or “Construction.”

	Questions	OSHA Regulation	Yes	No	N/A
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1)	Are parts of a scaffold that are damaged or weakened immediately repaired, replaced, braced, or removed from service until repaired?	1926.451(f)(4)			
2)	Are scaffolds and scaffold components loaded below their maximum intended loads or rated capacities?	1926.451(f)(1)			
3)	Are scaffolds erected, moved, dismantled, or altered only under the supervision and direction of a competent person qualified in scaffold erection, moving, dismantling, or alteration?	1926.451(f)(7)			
4)	Does a competent person inspect scaffolds and scaffold components for visible defects before each work shift, and after any occurrence that could affect a scaffold's structural integrity?	1926.451(f)(3)			
5)	If swinging loads are hoisted onto or near scaffolds, are tag lines or equivalent measures used to control the loads?	1926.451(f)(9)			
6)	Is it prohibited to use ladders on scaffolds to increase the working level height?	1926.451(f)(15)			
7)	Is it prohibited to work on scaffolds covered with snow, ice, or other slippery material, except as necessary to remove such materials?	1926.451(f)(8)			
8)	Is the horizontal movement of a scaffold prohibited while workers are on the scaffold?	1926.451(f)(5)			
9)	Is the use of shore or lean-to scaffolds prohibited?	1926.451(f)(2)			
10)	Is working on scaffolds during storms or high winds prohibited unless a competent person has determined that it is safe for workers to be on the scaffold and workers are protected by a personal fall arrest system or wind screens?	1926.451(f)(12)			

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