

Tips

Scaffolding and Mobile Scaffolding

Make sure scaffolding and work platforms are erected by competent and certified staff



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Always erect a scaffold or work platform in accordance with their Best Practice Guide for Scaffolding in New Zealand.

- Only authorised personnel should be on scaffolding.
- Ensure ladders and gates are safe and secure.
- Handrails (between 900 and 1100mm high) and mid rails must be used.
- Wheels on mobile scaffolds must be locked and turned outwards for stability.
- Internal access must be provided and used on all scaffolds.
- Check regularly to ensure that scaffolding has not been altered and is still safe.
- Ensure scaffold tags are in place, signed and dated by a certified staff member.
- Make sure that scaffold stays within mobility loads and is not overloaded with other materials.
- Ensure that steps are removed when site is idle so that children can't climb.
- Ensure edge protection is in place if working on roofs.

Note: *The erection or dismantling of scaffolding (all kinds) from which any person may fall 5 metres or more must be notified to WorkSafe NZ before work commences.*