

INCREASE YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF OSHA'S SCAFFOLDS STANDARD

If not designed and properly erected, scaffolds can be extremely dangerous for workers. An estimated 2.3 million construction workers, or 65 percent of the construction industry, work on scaffolds. Workplace incidents occur each and every day all across the country associated with scaffolds. In 2017, OSHA began requiring all employers in General Industry to also meet the requirements of the Construction scaffolds standard (29 CFR 1926, Subpart L). According to OSHA, protecting these workers from scaffold-related accidents may prevent some of the 4,500 injuries and over 60 deaths every year. Workers must be trained to understand how to properly erect, work on and disassemble scaffolds. The OSHA Construction standards provides these minimum requirements. This presentation will focus on the OSHA Construction standard covering the general requirements for supported scaffold capacity, platform construction, access, use, fall protection and employee training. A discussion on aerials lifts and scissors lift will also be included. The primary objective of this presentation is to increase the participant's knowledge of OSHA's scaffold standard.

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