

Safety Inspection Checklist – Self Supporting Scaffolds

Yes	No	N/A	INSPECTION ITEM	COMMENTS
			Are the scaffold poles / posts erected plumb, straight, and setting firmly on base plates & mud sills or equivalent material as specified by the scaffold manufacturer?	
			Are all scaffold frames, braces, and other components free from dents, rust, and excessive wear, as well as any other form of damage?	
			Are scaffold frames/poles tied, braced, or guyed per the manufacturer's instruction to prevent tipping when the height exceeds four times its minimum base width dimension?	
			Are suitable portable or fixed ladders, stair towers, or ramps provided for safe access to scaffold platforms?	
			Are all scaffold platforms where work is performed fully planked, with no gaps exceeding 1 inch between the planks or platforms?	
			Does each end of scaffold platforms, unless cleated or otherwise restrained by hooks or equivalent means, extend over the centerline of its support at least 6 inches but not more than 12 inches <i>(or 18 inches if platform exceeds 10 feet in length)</i> ?	
			Are all scaffold planks are in good condition, free from cracks or other defects, and made of scaffold-grade lumber or equivalent?	
			Are guardrails and mid-rails installed on all open sides and ends of platforms that are 10 feet or more above the ground <i>(not required on sides where the scaffold platform is positioned no more than 14 inches away from the face of the work for general work, or 18 inches for plastering and lathing)</i> ?	
			Are all guardrails installed at the correct height <i>(typically, the top rail is 38-45 inches above the platform, and the mid-rail is centered between the top rail and platform)</i> ?	
			Are 4-inch-high toe-boards with no gap greater than ¼ of an inch between the top of the platform and bottom of the toe-board installed on all open sides of scaffold platforms where workers can pass beneath?	
			Are all scaffold platforms in use free from excessive materials, debris, ice, snow, or other slippery conditions?	
			OTHER OBSERVATIONS:	

Name of Company / Organization: _____

Area, Department, or Job Site Inspected: _____

Name of Inspector: _____

Date of Inspection: _____