Take scaffold safety to the next level

Falls from scaffolds are a leading cause of construction injuries. Inspect before every shift to make sure:

- Scaffold to be erected and inspected by competent persons.
- Workers working on scaffolds need to be trained and risk assessment carried out.
- Planking is scaffold grade and in good condition
- Platforms contain safe and proper access
- Guardrails and toe boards are installed and secured
- Planks overlap on frame supports at least 6” but not more than 12”
- Structure can support at least 4 times the maximum intended load
- Scaffold stands 10+ feet from power lines
- Equipment is plumb, square, level and has a firm foundation
- Structure is secured to the building when required
- Fall arrest system is in place if the scaffold is 10 feet or higher and doesn’t have guardrails

65% of the construction industry works on scaffolds.*

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* https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/scaffolding/construction.html