



# NASAC

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION  
OF SCAFFOLDING &  
ACCESS CONTRACTORS**

## DOS AND DON'TS ON SCAFFOLDS

- 1) **Do** carry out a health and safety check before using a scaffold.
- 2) **Do not** use a scaffold without a scaffold tag in place.
- 3) **Do not** climb up or down the scaffold or enter the scaffold from an unapproved entry point.
- 4) **Do** use the ladders or stairs.
- 5) **Do not** climb or shimmy along the scaffolding steel work.
- 6) **Do** work off a fully boarded lift with full guard rails and toe boards in place.
- 7) **Do not** climb onto standards (verticals), transoms below foot level, or ledgers/transoms which have not been fully fastened, or on to any type of bracing.
- 8) **Do** clip on to 1. Any point along a fully fastened ledger above head level, 2. A fully fastened guardrail at waist level where the scaffolding is at least one lift above where the scaffolder is working, 3. To the transom in the lift above if fixed at both ends, 4. On the ledger supporting the platform where the scaffolder is working (*only if the above 4 are not possible*).
- 9) **Do not** leave yourself exposed to any fall risks.
- 10) **Do** tie off using your Personal Fall Arrest System (PFAS).
- 11) **Do not** remove any ties or bracing, if they require moving consult with an advanced scaffolder/Site manager.
- 12) **Do** have a daily briefing with all users of a scaffold before new or on-going work continues or starts.
- 13) **Do not** use makeshift platforms. Use the correct type of scaffolding boards and bearers/transoms.
- 14) **Do** know the safe working limits for the type and nature of scaffolding you are building.
- 15) **Do not** overload any scaffold or loading bay. Know the correct loading of boards, equipment and loading bays. (*Light Duty 1.5KN, General Duty 2.0KN, Heavy Duty 2.5KN/sqm.*)
- 16) **Do** see your supervisor if braces are in the way or have to be moved or changed.
- 17) **Do not** remove boards, handrails or ladders from the scaffolding structure; contact the scaffolders (*always keep the integrity of the structure*).
- 18) **Do** ensure materials are stacked correctly and cannot fall. Stack at the return end or at corner sections of walkways.
- 19) **Do not** remove warning signs from scaffolds unless it has been completed.
- 20) **Do** remove signs and tags when required i.e. scaffold unsafe to use. After the scaffolding hand over.
- 21) **Do not** throw, drop, bomb or tip materials from any height.
- 22) **Do** see the site manager if the scaffold is littered with debris and is not safe to work on or dismantle.
- 23) **Do** report all un-authorized alterations or interference to the site manager/safety officer and record in writing (see scaffold tampering sheet)
- 24) **Do** carry out an inspection prior to continued erection or use (GA3).

----- REMEMBER -----

**DO NOT ABUSE OR LET OTHERS ABUSE SCAFFOLDING**