



# IHBA Webinar – 'Critical Risks in Residential Development'

12<sup>th</sup> October 2023

# ITINERARY

13.00 – Welcome Introductions

\*Ronan Redmond, Executive, Safety & Training

13.05 – Site Safety & Logistics

\*Cathal Mooney, Glenveagh

13.15 – Lifting Operations

\*Joe Byrne, Park Developments

13.25 – Residential Trench Box & Scaffolding Guide

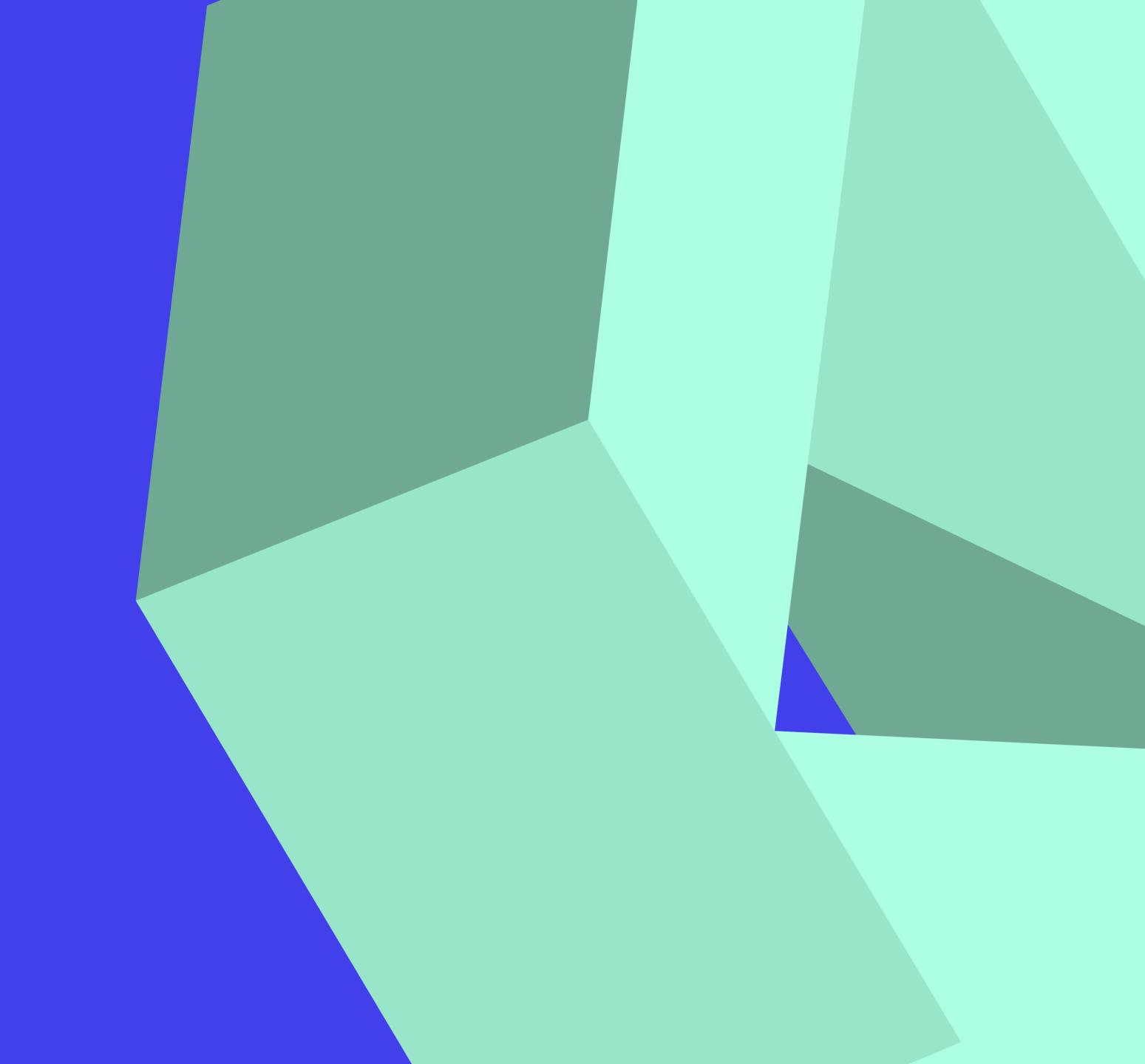
\*Brendan McKeever, DRES

13.35 – Fireside Chat

13.50 – Q & A Session



Site Safety & Logistics
Cathal Mooney, Glenveagh



# Dignity, Respect and Mental Health

Please remember that some people are carrying a heavy load:

Trauma experiences, stress, work, health, relationship or family problems Be Kind,

Be Compassionate.







The Lighthouse Construction Industry Charity



# Welfare and Planning











The Site canteen is equipped with:

Table, chairs, plates, cups, cutleries,

AA rating equipment's such as fridge,

microwave, toaster, kettle, coffee

maker, dishwasher. Recycling &

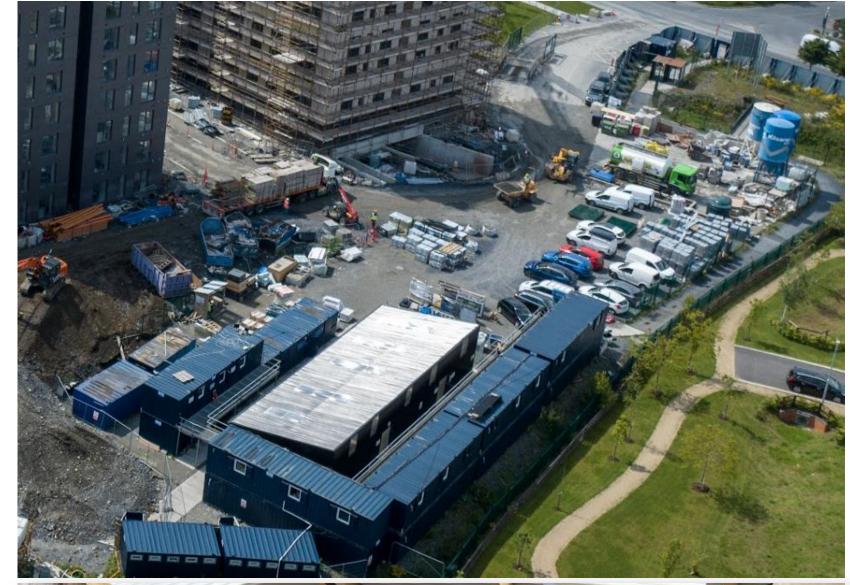
general waste bins, liquid soap and

hand sanitizer.





# Communications



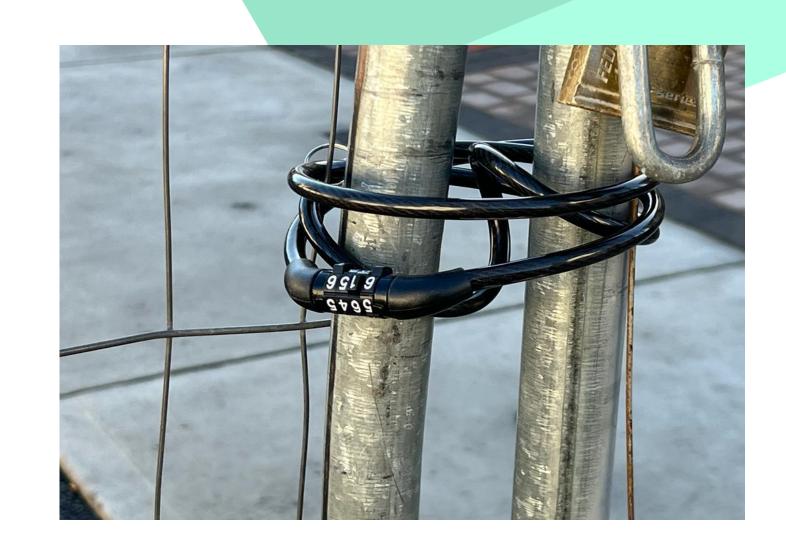




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# **Environmental Sustainability**











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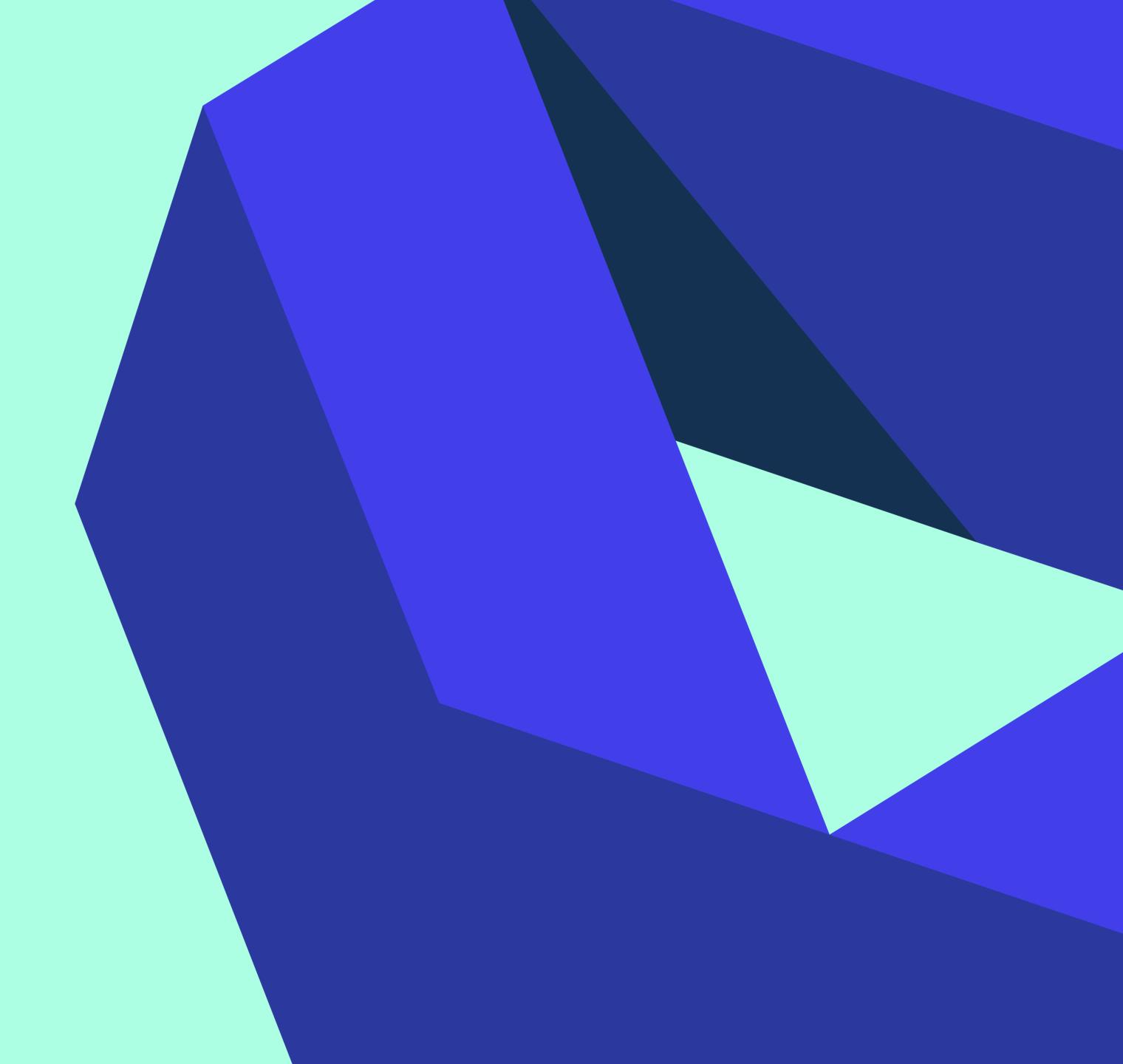
This lighting tower is equipped with 4x150W high efficiency LED floodlights powered by a rechargeable battery pack. It guarantees a great reliability and a perfect sustainability.

- Low noise & carbon dioxide emission
- Can run more than 660 hours without refuelling
- Batteries can be recharged from either an external power source or from the built-in backup generator

# Thank You

Lifting Operations

Joe Byrne, Park Development



# Planning of Lifting Activities

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BASIC Lift Plan (2 pages)

Lifting using Excavators / Telehandlers / HIABS.



**360° telehandler** Lifting Plan development

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#### Example:

1 no. 4 ton sling choked for lifting of beam.

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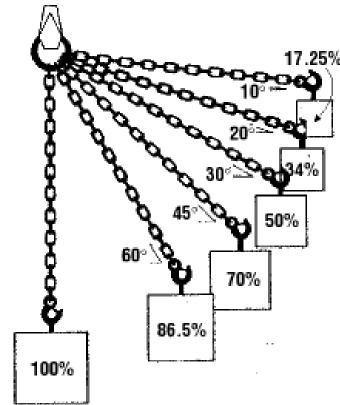
Reduction factor =  $4 \times 0.8$  (Load Factor) = 3.2ton SWL of Sling.

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Violet	1.0	1.0	0.8	2.0	1.9	1.7	1.4	1.0	1.7	1.3
Green	2.0	2.0	1.6	4.0	3.8	3.4	2.8	2.0	3.4	2.7
Yellow	3.0	3.0	2.4	6.0	5.7	5.1	4.2	3.0	5.1	4.1
Grey	4.0	4.0	3.2	8.0	7.6	6.9	5.6	4.0	6.9	5.5
Red	5.0	5.0	4.0	10.0	9.5	8.6	7.0	5.0	8.6	6.9
Brown	6.0	6.0	4.8	12.0	11.4	10.3	8.4	6.0	10.3	8.2
Blue	8.0	8.0	6.4	16.0	15.2	13.8	11.2	8.0	13.8	11.0
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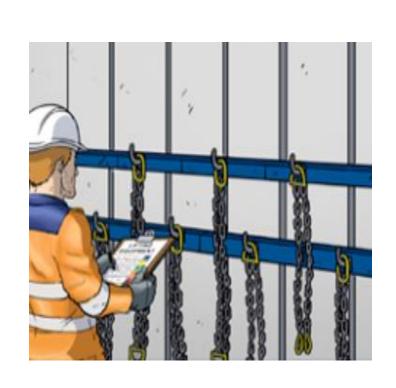
## Planning Lift Equipment



Sling Colours indicating SWL



Consider angle tension and reduction factor when planning lifts



Correct storage and records inspection

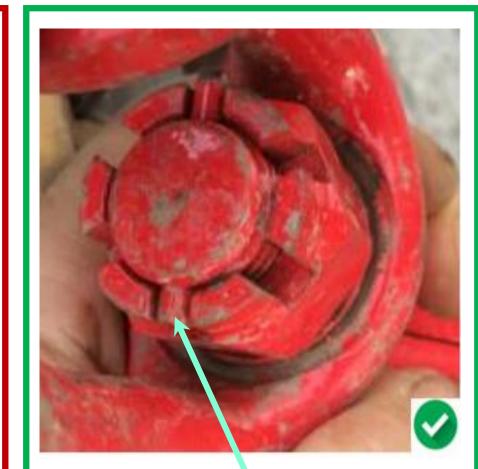
# Lifting Devices — Checking the finer details

### **Swivel hook**









Example of Swivel Hook with Lock Pin in place



Attachment Pin cut to allow fit to machine

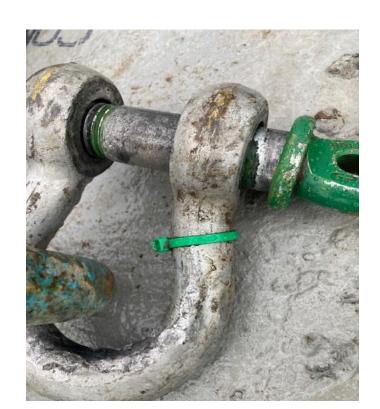


Bolt too big for pin, is it as per manufacturers spec?



Nail used to hold pin in place





**Inspection Colour Code Tag** 



Shackle fully tightened on Excavator



**Manhole Lifters** 









Pipe Stillage

Timber Frame – Safe Lifting Points (Incident Review)

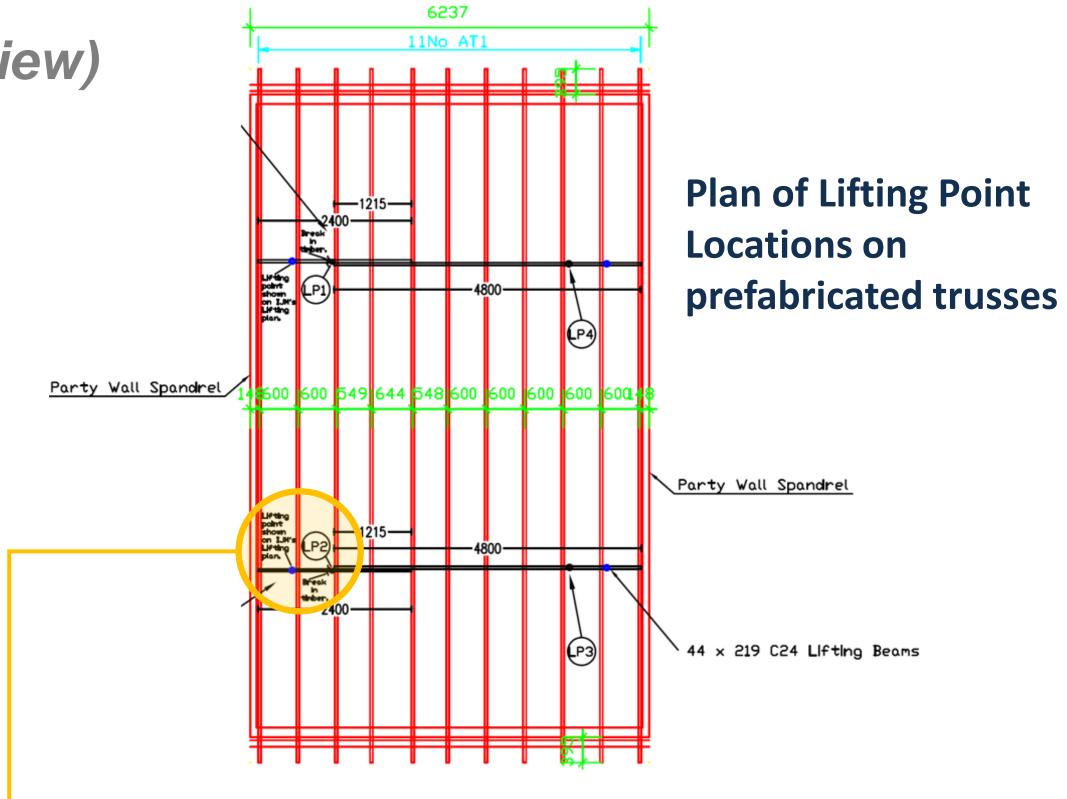


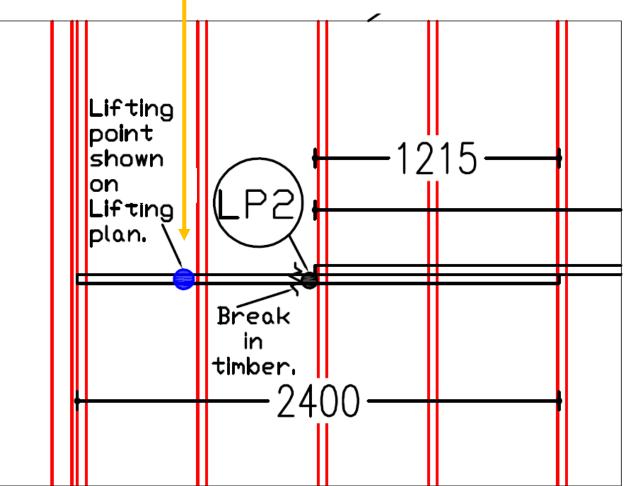


During lifting of pre-fabricated roof section, the lifting chains were hooked on to C24 timber beams at the wrong location (not as per plan).

This resulted in a failure of the timber beams at the lift points causing the section to fall into the lifting exclusion zone.

Following review, the lifting points were reestablished, documented on drawings and communicated with crews.





Detail of Lifting Point Locations on prefabricated trusses
Note: Lifting Point away from splice of 44 x 219 x C24 Lifting
Timber Beams

# Lifting Operations – What issues the Industry needs to solve together?

# Loading out Plasterboard in Houses \_ levels 2 & 3



loading out on Ground Floor Concrete slab during timber frame install – No issues





B) Prop flooring and load out slabs using crane during timber frame install.

Problems arise when loading out to levels 2 and 3 where manual lifting of slabs is required. How some house builders deal with issue outlined in A) & B)

# **Lifting of Mortar Bins**



Image D. Incorrect lift-Pinching Mortar Tub.

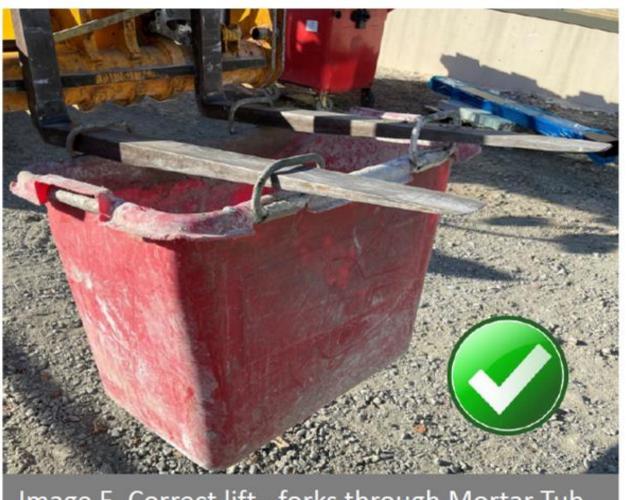


Image E. Correct lift– forks through Mortar Tub lifting square-eyes.

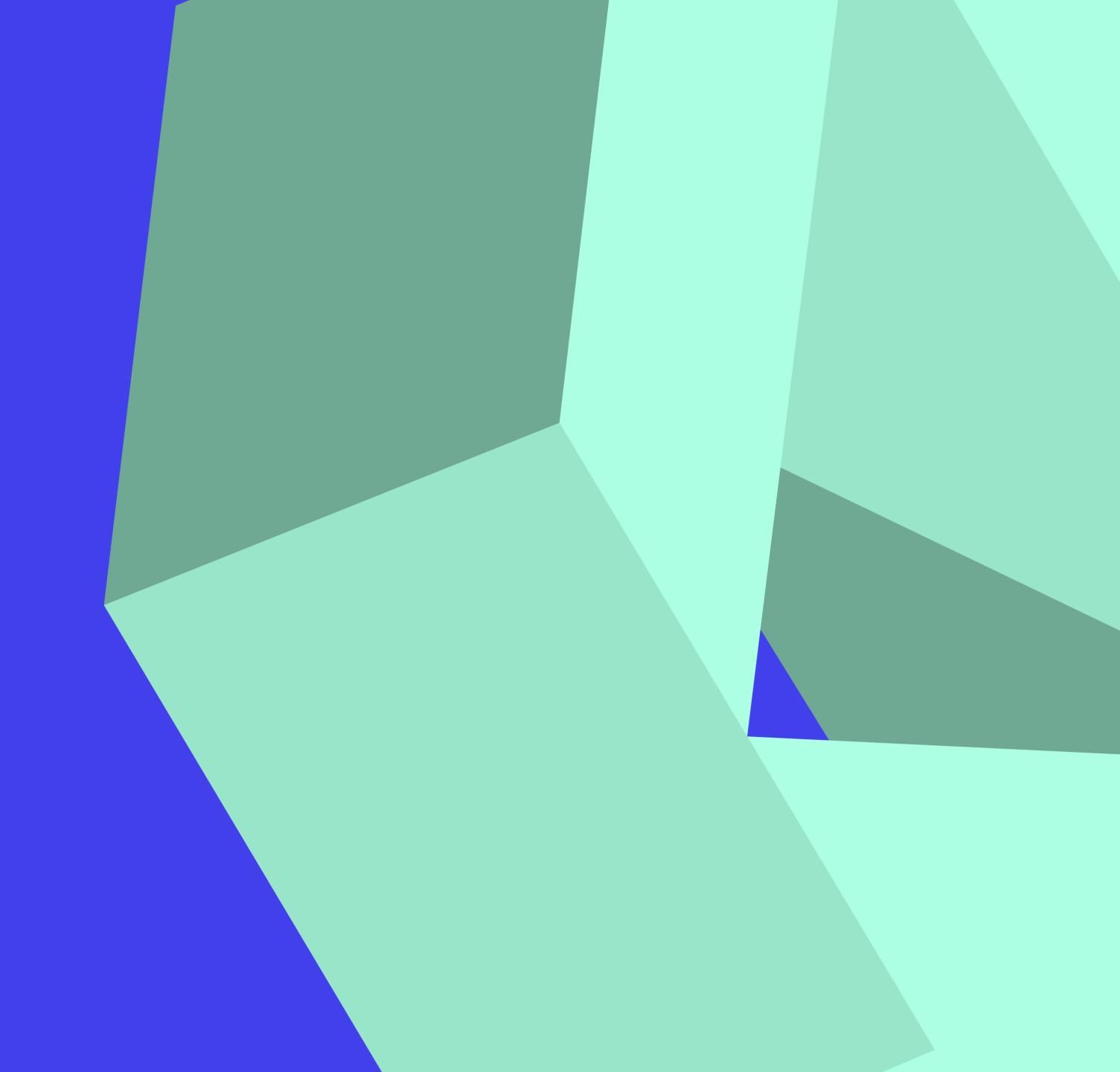


Scaffolding ledger obstructs lift when mortar tube is lifted by lifting eyes, There is then a tendency to lift mortar tub by pinching sides of bin.

Thank You

# Residential Trench Box & Scaffolding Guide

Brendan McKeever, DRES



# Trench Box Use In Residential Construction

## Potential for harm greatly underestimated

Trench Boxes in the main only get a passing mention in the Groundworkers RAMS.

These are large heavy pieces of equipment with the potential to cause serious injury.

Works in and around the Trench box are unforgiving and when something goes wrong it is in the main serious.

The risk assessment rarely cover all the associated risk involved in the use of Trench Boxes.



# Danger Deep excavations

# Trench Box Use In Residential Construction

## Addressing the issue

Once we took a closer look at the Trench Box information, we found a lot of information on the building of the Trench Boxes but very little on how to use them safely.

The D/RES Developments safety team got together and brought in our Groundworks Contractors, - directors, supervisors, and operatives to find a safe system of use.

From this we developed our Procedure



Third Floor Donnybrook House 36-42 Donnybrook Road Dublin 4

Procedure for the safe use of Trench boxes



# Trench Box Use In Residential Construction

Topics which the procedure had to address

How to correctly assessable a Trench Box

How to correctly place a Trench Box

Access & Egress to the works area in the trench box

Protecting the worker inside the box (especially when close to the ends of the box)

Moving the Trench Box in the Trench

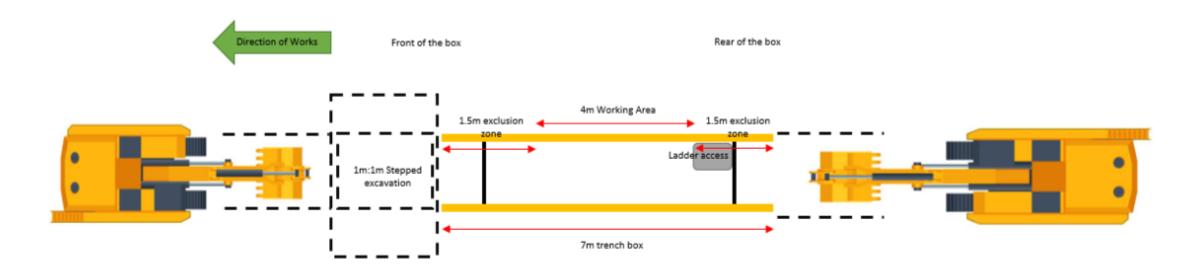
Backfilling as part of the works

Rescue Plan

**Associated Risk Assessments** 



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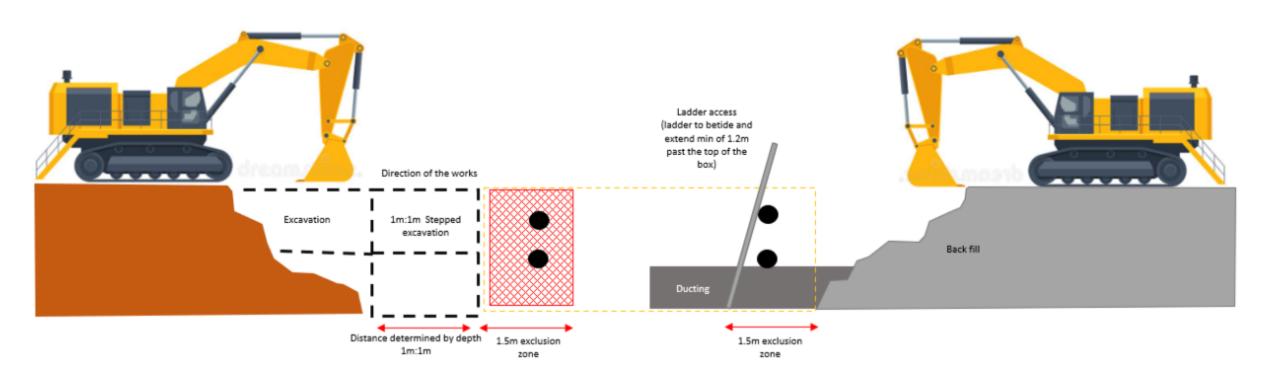


Figure 2

# D/RES Procedure For Safe Trench Box Use

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#### Procedure for the safe use of Trench boxes

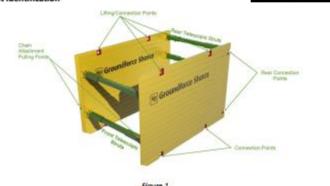
- rried out by the Civils Contractor completing the works and a Method Statement created. RAMS to include all safe dig procedures.
- . All operatives involved in the works shall be briefed by the Civils Supervisor on the safe method of works and
- . The Civils Contractor carrying out the works shall ensure all operatives are properly briefed and adequately supervised by a competent person.
- . Trench box system manual to be available on site and all operatives required in the work to be briefed on the safe construction and use of the system.
- Before any works commence a Permit to break ground must be issued with map for specific work area attached, no works are to be carried out, outside of the marked area without a new permit being opened.
  - Existing plans to be consulted to identify the locations of any services.
  - Ground to be scanned by a competent and trained person.
  - o Any identified services are to be marked, and Civils Supervisor to ensure these do not affect the works, if so works are to be paused and methods reviewed.
- o No works are to be carried out around live overhead or underground services without suitable control measures in place in advance of works.
- . Works area to be suitable segregated / barried off to prevent unauthorised access, where excavations are close to access routes or existing structures suitable controls shall be detailed in the Risk Assessment and / or on the works permit and must be installed before excavation works commence

#### Assembly of trench box

Each trench box is to be assembled following the manufacturer's instructions in the relevant manual. All manuals for equipment on site shall be provided by the Civils

(See appendix, and video on the link right)

#### Equipment Identification



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#### Installation of trench box

- An excavation shall be carried out to the required depth plus an allowance of approximately 100-150 millimetres wider than the box.
- . Once the excavation is completed the Trench box can be lowered into the ground, using suitable lifting
- equipment attached to the marked lifting points (see figure 1). as per the manufacturer's instructions. The works area must be fully enclosed with the use of pedestrian barriers with no entry warning signage
- . Once in position the edge of the box is designed to act as fall protection, but where this is level with the
- ground the trench box edge protection system may be used to prevent a fall. . The top of the box must not be below the ground level, where the required excavation is deeper than the
- box an extension must be installed as shown in the video above. The ground at the front of the box is to be suitably stepped by 1:1, 1 meter back for every meter deep or a 45% slope installed 1 meter out from the trench box to reduce the risk of ground collapse (see figure 2).
- . Once in position safe access must be installed. Ladder access at the rear of the box with the ladder tied of to the extension bars and the ladder must extend a minimum of 1.2m past the top of the box (see figure 2), or ramped stone access once the box is pulled forwards.
- . AF3 inspection to be carried out at the start of each shift by the ground works supervisor if person entry is

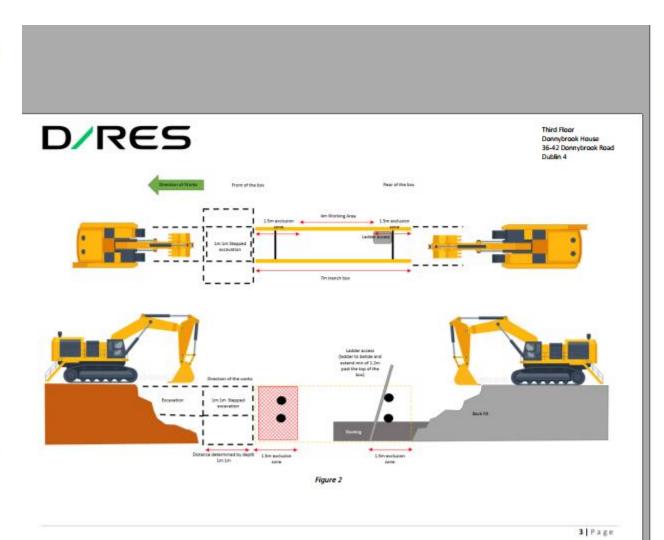
 Once the excavation is fully supported and safe access provided, pipes/ducting can be installed. . Ducting is lowered into the trench with the end located with in the safe work area inside the trench box

- . Once the pipe / ducting is installed operatives are to exit the trench before backfilling or movement of the
- . One excavator shall commence backfilling at the rear of the excavation. While a second extends the trench at
- Using a suitable 2-leg chain to attach to the marked pulling points, the box can be dragged into the newly excavated trench.
- o Never drag the box while operatives are inside the box,
- Operatives must never enter an unsupported section of the trench.
- Once the box is in the required location the ground at the front of the box is to be suitably reduced/stepped by 1:11 meter back for every meter deep or a 45% slope installed 1 meter out from the trench box to reduce the risk of ground collapse (see figure 2).
- . Safety access ladder is installed again and works commence in the box
- . Lift and lower the next pipe/duct into position. Repeat the steps above

#### Removal of trench box and back filling of excavations

- . Once installations are complete, all operatives are to exit the box. Backfill loose material and then use a certified 4-leg lifting chain to carefully extract the entire box.
- . Once clear the trench can be backfilled and made safe.

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#### Safety Requirements of using a trench box

#### Do Not

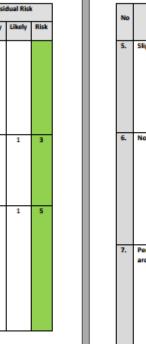
Ensure the lifting equipment and machine available with adjustable telescopic box type struts

- Know the weight of the load and determine the
- optimum rigging configuration firstly by lifting the × Move/drag the box with operatives inside × Use damaged or bent struts Use damaged or bent struts
   Enter unsupported sections of the excavation Always use the red lifting points
- Ensure the box is assembled correctly and all × Hemmer the box with the machine bucket bolts, pins and clips are in place × Use damaged or, un-certified lifting equipme > Stay clear of the slewing zone when tilting the box
- · Check the ground conditions are suitable for use
- with a drag box

  Always pre-dig the excavation in front of the box Drag the box using the front strut up to 1m wide, (if telescopic struts are fitted, then use the pulling
- Use a secured ladder to enter and exit from within
- Use edge protection where appropriate
  Fill any voids if operators are to approach the box
- · Ensure all panel connectors are in place before
- removal

  Take care to avoid the trapping of fingers

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tripping and falling on keep floor clean and clear of oil, grease, mud, rubbish and tools. Bear access routes to be maintained. Always use proper steps and hand holds when climbing onto or (occupational health action bands). Hearing protection to be Hazardous noise to be reduced where possible and exposures of plant and hand tools. to be in place and in proper working order. Plant operator to carry out visual blind spot assessement before operating machine. Plant can only be operated by trained CSCS operatives and must be The works area must be fully enclosed with the use of pedestrian iers with no entry warning signage attached. No materials to be D/RES Vp Groundforce Shorco User Guide

D/RES Appendix 2 - Trench Emergency Rescue Procedure (Full procedures can be found in the site emergency procedures document) Equipment for rescue from Excavations / Confined spaces D/RES Properties shall ensure a safe system is available each project site for the recovery of personnel for excavation One large project site response vehicle may be used to store this equipment close to the works areas so it can be itilised quickly in an emergence Communication devise (Mobile phone or radio) Suitable first aid kit Spinal boards Hand tools including shovels All equipment used for the rescue of persons from excavations must be checked before use, so as not to Equipment should be kept clean and dry and should be properly stored. . Equipment should be subjected to thorough inspections by a competent person in accordance with a Pre-start briefing Before beginning work, look at the specific area where you are digging. What is around you that could cause a collapse? . Is the soil dry, or is there water in the bottom of the trench Are there any buried utility lines that you could come in contact with? Is there anything that could make the air bad? Exhaust from equipment, spilled fuel, decayed plants or

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Blind spot assessment to be carried out on plant & and all auxiliary lantvGA1 & weekly GA2's to be in place afe manual handling practices, use of manual handling aids & danual handling training for all operatives. All employees trained in manual handling (certs provided). All employees to be briefed on CIF restrictions 2m apart. Any tools to be labelled for each user and sanitized if not possible using wipes All loads to be assessed prior to lifting. raffic Management Plan to be in place and segregated pedestr Movement of operatives Slips/trips/falls. nduction. A spotter will be available for all manoeuvring of plant or debris and rubbish removed after works. Good housekeeping Client to maintain tidy site - clean as you go, Fall protection / fean running water before and after works and close contact with

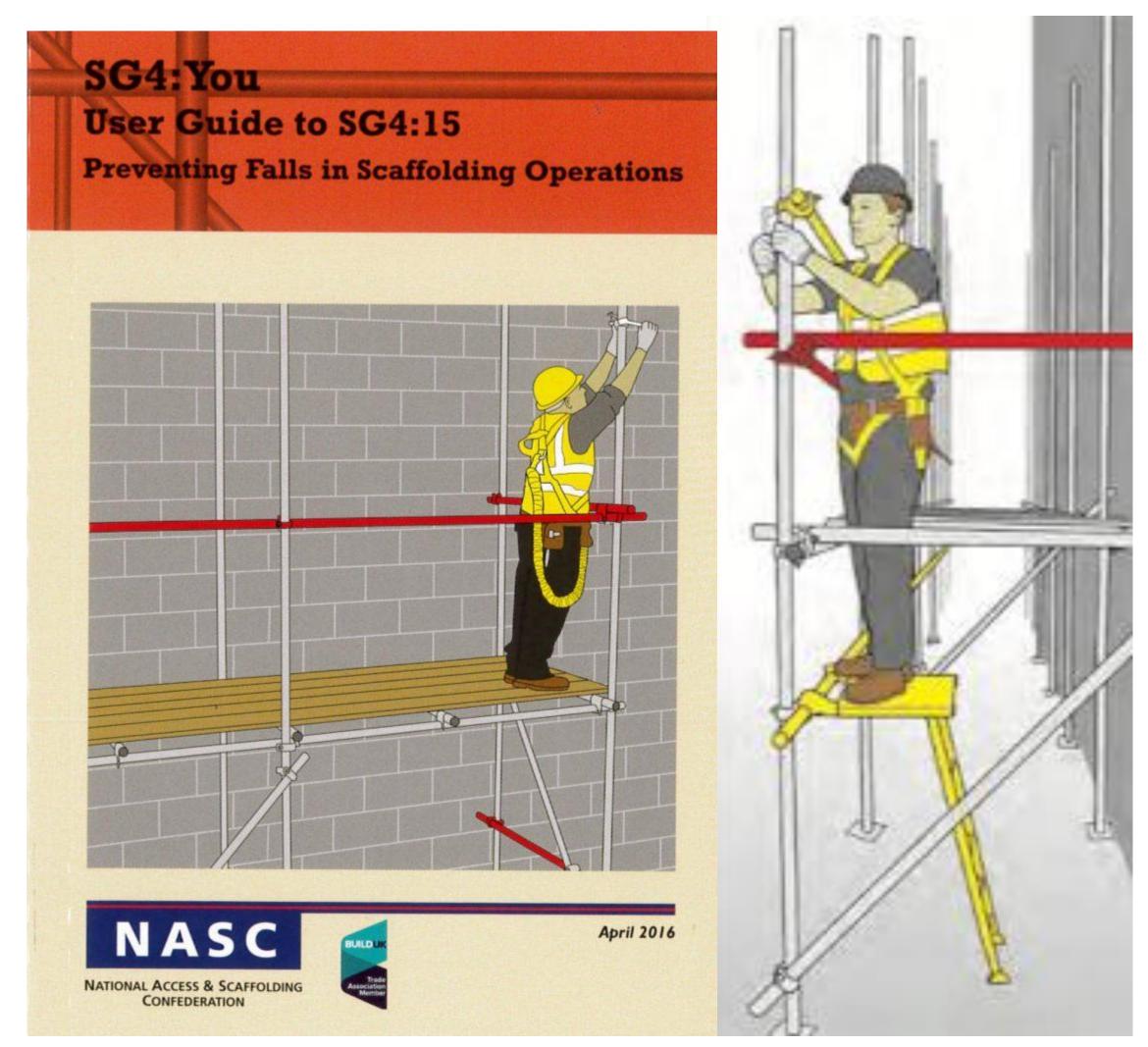
# Scaffold Use In Residential Construction

Residential Scaffolding can be seen as not as high risk by some scaffolding companies as commercial scaffolding

During the erection of the scaffolds, we found a few scaffolders where not working to the standards of SG4

SG4 was developed by the scaffolding industry to protect their workers form falls

it is free to download and should be included in the scaffolding companies R.A.M.S.



# Scaffold Use In Residential Construction

## Scaffolding for timber frame houses

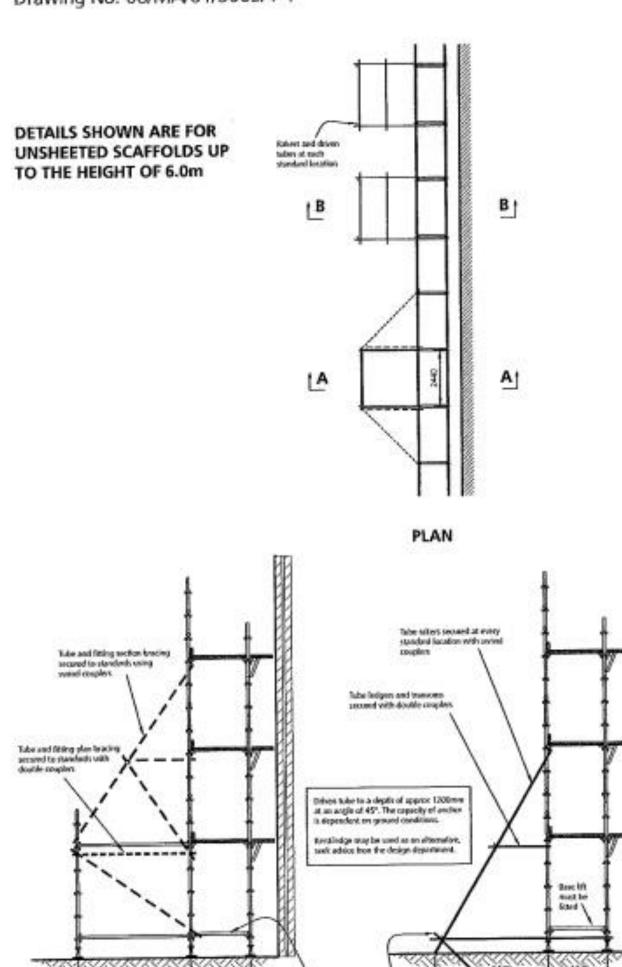
If building timber frame houses the scaffold must be erected before the building is stood so the scaffold cannot be tied into the building.

During visits to projects by HSA inspectors they may ask for a scaffold design as the scaffold is not tied in.

It is possible to erect quick stage scaffolding for timber frame construction without a design, as the manual shows a system for erecting a buttress to support a scaffold up to 6meters

#### **Untied Climastage Layout**

Drawing No. 08/MA/01/3063/1-1



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TYPICAL BUTTRESS

**CROSS SECTION A-A** 

Bibas drives into ground, secured to ledge: with double

TYPICAL RAKER

CROSS SECTION B-B

# Scaffold Use In Residential Construction

## Scaffolding for houses

As houses are sometimes looked on by some scaffold companies as the wee brother of construction, they were not sufficiently delivering the scaffolds to our requirements

We found the scaffold companies were handing over scaffolds which did not meet our requirements.

To avoid confusion, we developed the attached scaffold requirement sheet to ensure all parties understood the standard of scaffold required to ensure the safety of all who work on it.



#### Scaffold requirements

- Kicker lift legers to be fully installed only removed at house access points.
- Bracing is to be placed on each elevation of the corners starting at the kicker lift and rising to the top with this repeated every 4<sup>th</sup> bay.
- Due the inability to tie scaffold into timber frame the building an 8x8 buttress is required 3 bays in from the end of the scaffolds and every 4<sup>th</sup> bay thereafter, these buttresses, loading bays and ladder access bays must have wing braces starting at the kicker lift rising with 1 wing brace every 2 meters to the top. With diagonal bracing on both sides and the face of the bays with diagonal bracing on the sides of loading bays.
- In addition to this loading bays must have loading bay transoms and eighter 6 standards with 4-foot boards or metal boards used on 8-foot bays, these should also be fitted with up and overs handrails placed at each loading gate.
- Loading bay sole boards should span 2 standards at a right angle to the scaffold walkway with base jacks extending on more than 220mm.
- Ladder bays should also have end bracing and legers placed in every star.
- Where scaffolds are erected close to another house preventing the erecting of a buttress, the gable end of the neighbouring scaffold should be erected with these braced off each other with bracing placed on the ends and after every 3 bays.
- In preparation for the roof works such as spreading trusses, felting, battening and tiling, the top working platform must be placed no more than 300mm below level of the roof wall plate, with this lift having 3 handrails in place if roof pitch is greater than 30 degrees.
- The gable scaffold extending to the peak must rise above the ridge proving a handrail at 950mm and mid rail of 450mm. from the scaffolding extending above the peak 7-meter Scaffolding tubes should be run from the scaffolding at the to of the peak top the Conor providing a double handrail extending the full length of the apex edge of the roof.
- A gate should be placed at the ladder access on the working platform at the peaks.
- A Scaff-tag should be placed at each access point, also the required Signage must be shown on each ladder bay and loading bay. The signage on the loading bays must display the maximum weight permitted on the bay.

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