

SCAFFOLD INSPECTION AND USE

WORKING AT HEIGHT | THINK AHEAD. CONTROL THE HAZARD. PROTECT THE CREW.

Today we are discussing scaffold inspection and use. Review the job, identify the specific exposure, and agree on the controls before work begins.

COMMON HAZARDS AND SAFEGUARDS

- Use only scaffolds released and tagged for service
- Inspect access, decking, guardrails, ties, and foundations
- Stay within the rated load
- Do not alter scaffolds unless authorized
- Maintain fall protection when required
- Keep platforms orderly and control dropped objects

THE COMMON-SENSE CHECK

- 1 What can go wrong during scaffold inspection and use?
- 2 Which of today's conditions increases the risk?
- 3 Are isolation, permits, and equipment verified?
- 4 Does everyone understand the controls and limits?
- 5 What will make us stop, withdraw, or raise the alarm?

CONTROL THE EXPOSURE

PLAN

Use only scaffolds released and tagged for service

VERIFY

Inspect access, decking, guardrails, ties, and foundations

CONTROL

Stay within the rated load

RESPOND

Keep platforms orderly and control dropped objects

ASK THE CREW

1. Where could this hazard affect us during today's work?

2. Which control must be verified before we begin?

3. What condition requires us to stop work or evacuate?

DATE: _____ SUPERVISOR: _____ CREW / LOCATION: _____