Checklist Mobile Scaffold Towers



What safety precautions do you and your colleagues take when working with mobile scaffold towers?

In most cases, falling from a mobile scaffold tower has serious consequences. It is therefore an issue that is worth addressing.

The main risks are:

- Falling from a height
- Overturning of the scaffold
- Board breakage

This checklist will help you to get a better grip on these risks.



In the following section, you will find a range of important questions pertaining to this checklist. If a question is not applicable to your plant, simply remove it from the list.

Action must be taken wherever you answer a question with X «no» or X «partially».

Note actions overleaf.

Condition and availability of mobile scaffold towers

1	Are the mobile scaffold towers in your company in proper condition (fig. 1)?	yes partially	
	In particular: - Structure - Lockable castors - Access and boards - 3-sided guardrail system	no	
2	Are your employees aware of the maximum permissible loads of your mobile scaffold towers? This data is given in the assembly instructions.	yes partially no	
3	Are checks performed before each use to verify that the mobile scaffold tower is suitable for the task at hand? In particular: - The load for which the tower is approved - The location of the tower - The height of the tower - That the tower is secured to prevent it from overturning - That all boards and guardrails (3-sided) are in position	yes no	



Fig. 1: Fault-free mobile scaffold towers are essential for safe working.



Fig. 2: A firm foundation prevents the castors from sinking in without warning.

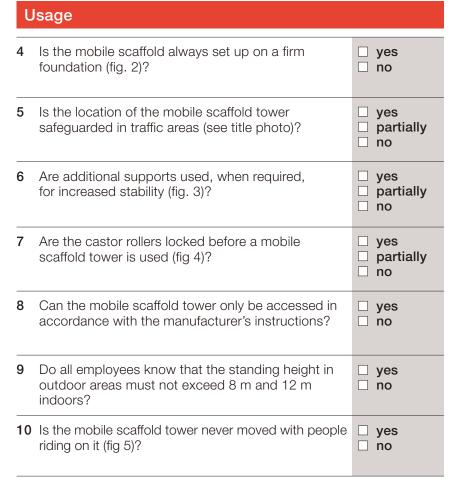




Fig. 3: The assembly instructions specify the height from which supports must be fitted.

Organisation, training, attitude 11 Is there a clear understanding in your company about □ yes who checks mobile scaffold towers regularly for □ no defects and damages? (fig. 6) 12 Do all employees know that defects to a mobile yes scaffold tower must be reported to the manager partially □ no concerned immediately? □ yes□ partially□ no 13 Are all employees in your company (especially new entrants) instructed in the proper use of mobile scaffold towers? 14 Do managers check to ensure that employees use □ yes □ partially□ no the company's mobile scaffold towers correctly?



Fig. 4: Castors must be secured to prevent the mobile scaffold tower from accidentally starting to roll.

Note to question 13:

Leaflet «Fragen rund um das Rollgerüst» (Questions concerning mobile scaffold towers), reference 84018.d, can be used to instruct employees in the correct use of mobile scaffold towers.



Fig. 5: Mobile scaffold towers must never be moved when people are on them.



Fig. 6: Missing guardrails and defective boards may cause people to fall from a height.

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Action plan: Mobile Scaffold Towers

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Fellow-up inspection on:

(Recommendation: every 6 months)

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