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Scaffolds General Requirements - Falling Object Protection (General Industry)

Instructions: This checklist is intended to help you identify potential hazards in your workplace. The questions are based on applicable Federal OSHA standards. Keep in mind that additional state and local regulations may apply, depending upon your location. Please select one answer for each question. You can click in the box if completing this form on your computer or mobile device. If you select "no," you should investigate further to determine what corrective action may be needed to address the hazard. You can review the specific OSHA Standards outlined below at www.osha.gov/law-regs.html. Choose "Construction."

1910.27(a) Scaffolds. Scaffolds used in general industry must meet the requirements in 29 CFR part 1926, subpart L (Scaffolds).

	Questions	OSHA Regulation	Yes	No	N/A
1	In addition to wearing hardhats is each employee on a scaffold provided with additional protection from falling hand tools, debris, and other small objects through the installation of toeboards, screens, or guardrail systems, or through the erection of debris nets, catch platforms, or canopy structures that contain or deflect the falling objects? NOTE: When the falling objects are too large, heavy or massive to be contained or deflected by any of these measures, the employer must place such potential falling objects away from the edge of the surface from which they could fall and secure those materials as necessary to prevent their falling.	1926.451(h)(1)			
2	Where there is a danger of tools, materials, or equipment falling from a scaffold and striking employees below is the area below the scaffold to which objects can fall barricaded, and employees not permitted to enter the hazard area?	1926.451(h)(2)(i)			
3	Where there is a danger of tools, materials, or equipment falling from a scaffold and striking employees below is a toeboard erected along the edge of platforms more than 10 feet above lower levels for a distance sufficient to protect employees below, except on float (ship) scaffolds where an edging of 3/4 × 1 1/2 inch wood or equivalent may be used in lieu of toeboards?	1926.451(h)(2)(ii)			



	Questions	OSHA Regulation	Yes	No	N/A
4	Where there is a danger of tools, materials, or equipment falling from a scaffold and striking employees below and tools, materials, or equipment are piled to a height higher than the top edge of the toeboard, is paneling or screening extending from the toeboard or platform to the top of the guardrail erected for a distance sufficient to protect employees below?	1926.451(h)(2)(iii)			
5	Where there is a danger of tools, materials, or equipment falling from a scaffold and striking employees below is a guardrail system installed with openings small enough to prevent passage of potential falling objects?	1926.451(h)(2)(iv)			
6	Where there is a danger of tools, materials, or equipment falling from a scaffold and striking employees below is a canopy structure, debris net, or catch platform strong enough to withstand the impact forces of the potential falling objects erected over the employees below?	1926.451(h)(2)(v)			
7	When used for falling object protection, are canopies installed between the falling object hazard and the employees?	1926.451(h)(3)(i)			
8	When canopies are used on suspension scaffolds for falling object protection, are the scaffolds equipped with additional independent support lines equal in number to the number of points supported, and equivalent in strength to the strength of the suspension ropes?	1926.451(h)(3)(ii)			
9	Are independent support lines and suspension ropes prohibited from being attached to the same points of anchorage?	1926.451(h)(3)(iii)			
10	Where used, are toeboards capable of withstanding, without failure, a force of at least 50 pounds applied in any downward or horizontal direction at any point along the toeboard? NOTE: Toeboards built in accordance with 29 CFR 1926 Subpart L Appendix A to this subpart will be deemed to meet this requirement.	1926.451(h)(4)(i)			

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11	Where used, are toeboards at least 3 1/2 inches high from the top edge of the toeboard to the level of the walking/working surface? NOTE: Toeboards must be securely fastened in place at the outermost edge of the platform and have not more than 1/4 inch clearance above the walking/working surface. Toeboards must be solid or with openings not over 1 inch in the greatest dimension.	1926.451(h)(4)(ii)			

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