

THE BUILDING MAINTENANCE COMPANY RISK ASSESSMENT



GRA28

GENERIC

X

SITE SPECIFIC

Activity/Element
Use of Static Scaffold Towers

Potential Hazards
Falls from height. Materials falling. Towers overturning. Overloading. Contact with overhead power lines, Adverse Weather.

RISK RATING: Consequence x Likelihood = Risk Rating

Consequence	Likelihood	Risk Rating
1 Negligible/No effect 	1 Extremely Remote 	1-4 Trivial
2 Marginal 	2 Remote 	5-8 Acceptable
3 Critical 	3 Reasonably Probable X	9-12 Substantial X
4 Catastrophe X	4 Probable 	13-16 Intolerable

BEFORE CONTROLS:

CONSEQUENCE

4

LIKELIHOOD

3

RISK RATING

12

People Affected by the works:-

Members of the Public

X

Site Staff

X

Site Operatives

X

Visitors to Site

X

CONTROL MEASURES:

- The Risk Assessment must include for Adverse Events/Emergencies e.g. Fire/Evacuation etc.
- See also, previous GRA 23 For use of Mobile Scaffold Towers.
- Assessment of working requirements will identify the need for assistance.
- Static tower scaffolds will only be erected, altered or dismantled by Trained Certificated Operatives in accordance with manufacturers specifications and BS 5973.
- To ensure stability the height to base ratio of a static scaffold tower must not exceed manufacturers instructions or 4:1 inside and 3:5 outside a building. Stabilisers may be used to increase height to base ratio.
- Working platforms shall be fully boarded and at least 600mm wide or at 800mm wide when materials are deposited thereon.
- Guard rails and toe boards must be fitted where persons can fall more than 2m.
- A safe means of access shall always be provided either by way of internal inclined stairway or a ladder lashed vertically or adjacent to one of the sides.
- A tower scaffold will be inspected before use by a competent person who will be responsible, if necessary, for entries in the scaffold inspection register.
- For further guidance refer to HS Guidance Note GS42.
- The use of PPE must be considered and be appropriate to the particular activity following assessment.
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N.B. Employees duties under Regulation 14 of MHSWR to inform employer of any circumstances which might indicate a shortcoming in the above assessment.

AFTER CONTROLS:

CONSEQUENCE

4

LIKELIHOOD

2

RISK RATING

8

Project:

Generic

Date

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Position:

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Health & Safety Manager

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