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### 1. Introduction:

- 1.1 Mobile tower scaffolds are a safe and efficient working platform for numerous tasks when used correctly. Misused, however, they provide a means of serious injury to the user and other employees.

### 2. Main Points:

- 2.1 Plan use of mobile tower scaffold in accordance with the manufacturer's guidance. Ensure SWL's are sufficient, that the ground is suitable, and that a competent person is available to erect, alter and dismantle the scaffold.
- 2.2 Check all mobile tower scaffold before use; check general condition, check all locking devices, check for free rotation of wheels, check all bracing is in place, check access/egress and for suitable working platform.
- 2.3 Where height exceeds 4m, intermediate guard-rails and toe-boards must be fitted. Toe-board requirement — recommended that they be fitted regardless of height.

### 3. Points to remember

- 3.1 Check manufacturer's guidance. Height should not exceed the narrowest base width. This can be extended by the use of outriggers.
- 3.2 Mobile tower scaffold should be used on level, firm surfaces. If surface is soft or not level then additional support should be provided where adequate support is not available.
- 3.3 Wheels should be locked when the scaffold is in use.
- 3.4 Only integral ladders should be used. Do not account rest ladders against the scaffold or platforms.
- 3.5 Ensure all persons are trained in the use of mobile tower scaffolds prior to moving, repositioning or dismantling. Avoid uneven surfaces, and beware of overhead obstructions — especially power lines!
- 3.6 Mobile tower platform should be extended out where practicable. This should be done in a safe manner.
- 3.7 Consider tying the scaffold to the building where applicable.

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