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Scaffolding Daily Inspection Safety Audit Checklist

Operational Scope: This audit protocol establishes mandatory pre-shift verification standards for all elevated scaffolding systems on site to prevent falls, collapses, and struck-by hazards. Compliance with this inspection procedure is strictly required prior to allowing any personnel to access working platforms.

MANDATORY PPE:	Hard Hat (ANSI Z89.1), Steel-Toe Boots (ASTM F2413), Full-Body Harness with Lanyard (ANSI Z359.1), High-Visibility Vest, Safety Glasses (ANSI Z87.1), Heavy-Duty Work Gloves
PREREQUISITES:	Review previous shift inspection logs and ensure any noted deficiencies have been fully cleared. | Establish a clear drop zone and perimeter control below the scaffolding structure using warning tape and signage. | Verify weather conditions are safe for elevated work (wind speeds under 25 mph, no active electrical storms or ice accumulation).

FOUNDATION, BASE PLATES, AND STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY

#	COMPONENT / ITEM	VERIFICATION CRITERIA & ACCEPTANCE STANDARD	SEVERITY	STATUS
1	**Base Plates & Mud Sills**	Base plates must rest firmly on sound, rigid mud sills or concrete pads without shifting, sinking, or gap separation.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**
2	**Screw Jacks & Leveling Pins**	Adjustable screw jacks must be fully engaged with uprights and extended no more than 12 inches to maintain stability.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**
3	**Uprights, Posts, and Frames**	Vertical frames and posts must be plumb within allowable tolerances, free of severe dents, rust corrosion, or structural cracks.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**
4	**Bracing (Diagonal & Cross)**	All diagonal, cross, and horizontal braces must be securely locked into place with locking pins or gravity pins engaged.	**Warning**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**

WORKING PLATFORMS, DECKING, AND ACCESS

#	COMPONENT / ITEM	VERIFICATION CRITERIA & ACCEPTANCE STANDARD	SEVERITY	STATUS
5	**Platform Decking Planks**	Scaffold planks must be scaffold-grade lumber or certified fabricated decking, fully planked with no gaps exceeding 1 inch, extending 6 to 12 inches over supports.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**
6	**Guardrail Systems**	Toprails (38 to 45 inches high), midrails, and toe boards must be installed on all open sides and ends of platforms able to withstand required loads.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**
7	**Ladder Access & Stairways**	Access ladders or stair towers must be securely attached, free of damaged rungs, and extend at least 3 feet above the landing platform surface.	**Warning**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**
8	**Tie-Ins and Anchorage**	Scaffolding must be tied securely to the permanent structure at vertical intervals not to exceed 26 feet for rolling towers or standard height rules.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**

ENVIRONMENTAL, CLEARANCE, AND LOAD SAFETY

#	COMPONENT / ITEM	VERIFICATION CRITERIA & ACCEPTANCE STANDARD	SEVERITY	STATUS
9	**Overhead Power Line Clearance**	Minimum clearance of 10 feet must be maintained from all energized power lines and electrical transmission equipment.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**
10	**Debris and Material Load Limits**	Platforms must be clear of accumulated trash, tools, or excessive material loads exceeding the maximum intended working load capacity.	**Warning**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**

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