

HAZARD ALERT

MOBILE ROLLING SCAFFOLDS ARE NOT FOR TRANSPORTING WORKERS

Two workers were injured when the mobile rolling scaffolding they were riding on fell over. A worker on the ground was pushing the scaffolding, when it ran over an electrical cord and overturned, ejecting the two workers riding on top.

Required Safe Practices

- An employer and any person who uses a mobile rolling scaffold must ensure that the scaffold is not used until inspected before each day's use. A competent person, as well as by all workers using the scaffold, must complete the inspection.
- All mobile rolling scaffolding must be equipped with diagonal and horizontal cross-bracing on each level, a solid platform covering the entire area from where work is performed, lockable wheels and guardrails (regardless of the height).
- Never move a mobile rolling scaffold while there are workers or unsecured tools, materials or equipment on it.
- Maintain good housekeeping and ensure that the ground is free of debris or other hazards before moving the scaffolding. Ensure that lines for portable hand tools do not run across work areas.
- Ensure that the scaffold is adequately designed and constructed to support at least four times the load that may be put on it. It must be erected plumb and level and be adequately secured if more than four times higher than the width of the scaffold.
- When a mobile rolling scaffold has pneumatic tires, before the scaffold is used, an employer and any person who uses the scaffold must ensure that the wheels are blocked separately in a way that raises the wheels off the ground or floor.

