Scaffolding Safety Tips You Should Know About

Whenever there is a construction or renovation project, scaffolding structures must be set up at the site before anything else. A scaffolding structure is nothing but an elevated work surface that supports the workers so they can reach higher levels of building as well as work accurately and safely. Although **scaffolding companies in Cape Town** provide their customers with strong and high-quality scaffolding structures, you must follow some rules for your safety:

- **Choose your scaffolding supplier carefully:** Your scaffolding supplier is the one that manufactures, supplies and erects the scaffolding structure for your project. You must be cautious before choosing them, as any mistake by them can endanger the workers. Always go for a registered and licensed scaffolding distributor. Take note of the employees as well because they must be qualified properly. If you choose carefully, then you will be able to find out the best among all the scaffolding companies in South Africa.
- **Consider the load capacity:** The main purpose of a scaffolding structure is to allow workers to work safely at heights. However, it is not only the workers that need support but there are also several other things. For example, equipment, tools and materials, it can be a simple paint bucket and brushes or a heavy machinery as well. To bear these heavy loads, the scaffolding structures must have a heavy load bearing capacity or not only the scaffolding and material will be damaged, but the workers may also be injured. So, make sure to have a scaffolding structure with the necessary capacity and never overload it.
- **Inspect scaffolding regularly:** Inspections must be a daily part of scaffolding for ensuring safety. Once the scaffolding structure is erected, let a professional scaffolding expert inspect it thoroughly before use, so that if there is anything wrong with the scaffolding structure it can be repaired. However, this one-time inspection is not enough. The scaffolding structures must be inspected every time before use. Even if it is well erected, it can get damaged after a few uses. Rather than risking your workers' lives, check the scaffolding and let them mount it only after being assured that the scaffolding structure is in good working condition.
- **Secure the surface:** Scaffolding structures with castors and wheels are useful because they can be moved from one place to another easily with less effort. However, it is not very safe as the towers can slip when someone is on the structure. So, it is best to remove the wheels when the scaffolding structure is being used. It is similarly important to protect the platform to ensure a worker's safety. Scaffolding platforms can be secured with guardrails.

Lastly, scaffolding equipment must not be neglected either. With a safety vest, helmet, safety eyewear, gloves and boots, the risk of getting injured is much lower. Consider the safety measures carefully before you contact scaffolding companies in Cape town.

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