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12 things to know about Scaffold Safety

1. Only qualified (trained) scaffold erectors can build or alter a scaffold.
2. All scaffold users need basic scaffold safety training.
3. Climbing handrails is dangerous. Use a ladder or the stair-tower.
4. Never work off of one board. 20" minimum standing surface (2 boards) is required if working above 4ft.
5. Never use a bucket or a ladder to gain extra height on a scaffold.
6. Never cut the scaffold tie-backs.
7. Don't forget the toe-boards
8. Report problems immediately!
9. Inspect the scaffold every day.
10. Scaffold platforms must be within 24" of the roof elevation to be used as a catch platform.
11. Scaffold boards must be no farther than 16" from the face of the structure.
12. Stair towers are the safest way to access a scaffold. If using a fixed ladder, the ladder cannot exceed 30 ft (continuous-run) without a rest platform.