

Work at Height Inspections

Work equipment (including guardrails, working platforms, fall protection equipment and ladders) must be inspected:

- After assembly or installation if it's safety depends on how it is assembled or installed.
- As often as necessary to ensure it remains safe, particularly to ensure that any deterioration can be detected and put right in good time.

If you use any work equipment that has come from another business, ensure before you use the equipment and before the equipment leaves you, that it is accompanied by an indication that the last inspection as required above has been carried out.

Records of inspections must be kept until the next inspection is carried out. Please refer to the Ladder Inspection log and Mobile Scaffold Inspection form in the document library.

Any platform used for construction work and from which a person could fall more than 2m must be inspected in place before use. In the case of a mobile platform, inspection at the site is sufficient (this does not have to be re inspected every time it is moved). Inspection should not take place more than seven days before use.

The person inspecting the platform must:

- Prepare a report giving the details listed in Schedule 7 of the Work at Height Regulations.
- Give the report to the person for whom the inspection was done, within 24 hours of completing the inspection.

The record of a platform inspection must be kept on site until the construction work is complete, and then in a suitable place for another 3 months.