

Title	Prepare a scaffolding site for the basing out of scaffolding		
Level	3	Credits	5

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – confirm the conditions for the erection of a scaffold on site; – secure the site work area for the erection of a scaffold; – establish the start point for the erection of a scaffold on site; and – lay out equipment on site for the basing out of a scaffold.
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Classification	Lifting Equipment > Elementary Scaffolding
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 This unit standard has been developed for learning and assessment on-job or off-job in a simulated environment.
- 2 All tasks must be carried out in accordance with:
 - a quality management systems;
 - b designer's requirements and manufacturers' operating instructions; legislation, regulations, bylaws, Health and Safety at Work Act 2015, and Health and Safety in Employment Regulations 1995;
 - c the most up to date version of the *Good Practice Guidelines - Scaffolding in New Zealand (GPG)*, 2016 available from <https://www.worksafe.govt.nz/topic-and-industry/working-at-height/scaffolding-in-new-zealand/>, and all subsequent amendments and replacements.
- 3 Definition
Scaffolding is as defined in the GPG and in the Health and Safety in Employment Regulations 1995.
- 4 Range
 This unit standard is intended to cover the preparation of a scaffolding site until the erection of the first vertical tube.
 Types of scaffolding include but are not limited to – aluminium, proprietary, and tube and fitting scaffolds.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Confirm the conditions for the erection of a scaffold on site.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Assess and confirm the condition of the ground on which scaffolding is to be erected is safe for the erection of scaffolding.
- 1.2 Check and confirm the relevant paperwork meets job specifications.
- Range may include but is not limited to – purpose, parameters, hazards.
- 1.3 Confirm the job requirements with relevant persons.
- Range may include but is not limited to – client, supervisor, employer.

Outcome 2

Secure the site work area for the erection of a scaffold.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Mark the perimeter of the scaffolding work site.
- 2.2 Erect warning signs on the scaffolding work site.
- 2.3 Erect barriers and/or barricades.
- Range may include but is not limited to – meeting requirements of the local authority, the Police (traffic services), electricity authorities, WorkSafe New Zealand, legal requirements, workplace procedures.

Outcome 3

Establish the start point for the erection of a scaffold on site.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Check and confirm distances are accurate.
- 3.2 Establish the offset distance of the scaffold from the working structure and mark the distance on site.
- 3.3 Establish the scaffold width and mark the distance on site.
- 3.4 Establish the optimum starting point of the scaffold on site.

Outcome 4

Lay out equipment on site for the basing out of a scaffold.

Performance criteria

- 4.1 Check the equipment list and confirm the components to be laid out.
- 4.2 Assemble the required equipment on site.
- 4.3 Monitor equipment for faults on site.
- 4.4 Mark bay lengths.
- 4.5 Lay out equipment to facilitate efficient erection of the base lift.

Replacement information	This unit standard, unit standard 20858, unit standard 20859, unit standard 20860, unit standard 23223, unit standard 23224, unit standard 23225, unit standard 23226, and unit standard 23227 replaced unit standard 4201 and unit standard 4203.
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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

Comments on this unit standard

Please contact the Waihangara Ara Rau Construction and Infrastructure Workforce Development Council qualifications@waihangaararau.nz if you wish to suggest changes to the content of this unit standard.