

<b>Title</b>	<b>Demonstrate, at height, safety procedures for the dismantling of scaffolding</b>		
<b>Level</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>4</b>

<b>Purpose</b>	People credited with this unit standard are able to: inspect scaffolding to determine its readiness for the dismantling of the top lift; prepare equipment on a higher lift for passing to the lift below; demonstrate correct use of a safety harness for the dismantling of scaffolding; dismantle guard rails and stop ends for scaffolding; and safely access the lift below.
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<b>Classification</b>	Lifting Equipment > Rigging and Scaffolding Safety
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<b>Available grade</b>	Achieved
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### Guidance Information

- 1 This unit standard is designed to be assessed against in the workplace, or an equivalent environment.
- 2 All tasks must be carried out in accordance with the designer's requirements and workplace procedures based on industry requirements in:
  - a the most up to date version of the *Best Practice Guidelines for Scaffolding in New Zealand, revised 2003* (published by Scaffolding and Rigging New Zealand Incorporated, PO Box 31067, LOWER HUTT, Wellington, Telephone 04 589 0253.
  - b health and safety requirements and guidelines relating to scaffolds, particularly *Approved Code of Practice for the Safe Erection and Use of Scaffolding* (Occupational Health and Safety Service, Department of Labour, 1995);
  - c manufacturer's operating instructions; and
  - d government and local government legislation, regulations, and bylaws.
- 3 **Definitions**  
*Scaffolding* is defined in the *Best Practice Guidelines for Scaffolding in New Zealand* (BPGFS) and additionally in the Health and Safety in Employment Regulations 1995. For definitions of the terms used in this unit standard see the BPGFS and AS/NZS 4576:1995 *Guidelines for Scaffolding*.
- 4 Competency in the elements of this unit standard must be demonstrated on a scaffold at height. This is defined as beginning at least the height of the scaffold's second lift.

- 5 This unit standard is written with tube and fitting scaffolding in mind as this will normally require the most complex and challenging procedure. However, principles inherent in this equally apply to all systems. Further it is expected that candidates will also have experience of working safely at height with proprietary systems.
- 6 An over-riding safety concern throughout this unit standard is that when candidates are moving with tube along an unprotected platform they carry the tube horizontally keeping the tube between themselves and the edge of the scaffold and never move beyond the tube's maximum length.

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## **Outcomes and performance criteria**

### **Outcome 1**

Inspect scaffolding to determine its readiness for the dismantling of the top lift.

#### **Performance criteria**

- 1.1 Planking on the lift below is confirmed to be safe or is placed if necessary.  
Range fully planked, secured against uplift and horizontal displacement.
- 1.2 Scaffolding minimum base dimension and tie/support to existing structures are checked for stability prior to accessing the lift below.
- 1.3 A safe access point to the lift below is identified.

### **Outcome 2**

Prepare equipment on a higher lift for passing to the lift below.

#### **Performance criteria**

- 2.1 A final safe zone for the passing of equipment to the lift below is determined.
- 2.2 The sequence for the passing of equipment to the lift below is established.
- 2.3 The equipment to be passed down is safely stacked in the final safe zone of the lift above.

### **Outcome 3**

Demonstrate correct use of a safety harness for the dismantling of scaffolding.

#### **Performance criteria**

- 3.1 Situations where a safety harness must be attached are identified.
- 3.2 The correct points of attachment on the scaffold are identified in preferential order.

**Outcome 4**

Dismantle guard rails and stop ends for scaffolding.

**Performance criteria**

4.1 All components are dismantled in correct sequence.

**Outcome 5**

Safely access the lift below.

Range includes but is not limited to – BPGFS, health and safety requirements, legislation, regulations.

**Performance criteria**

5.1 Dismantling procedures are followed.

5.2 Preferred methods of access to the lift below are identified in preferential order.

5.3 Any modifications necessary to accommodate preferred method of access are made.

5.4 The lift below is safely accessed.

**This unit standard is expiring. Assessment against the standard must take place by the last date for assessment set out below.**

**Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions**

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	23 March 2006	31 December 2016
Rollover and Revision	2	20 June 2008	31 December 2016
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Review	5	24 February 2022	31 December 2025
Rollover and Revision	6	24 August 2023	31 December 2025

**Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference**

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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.