

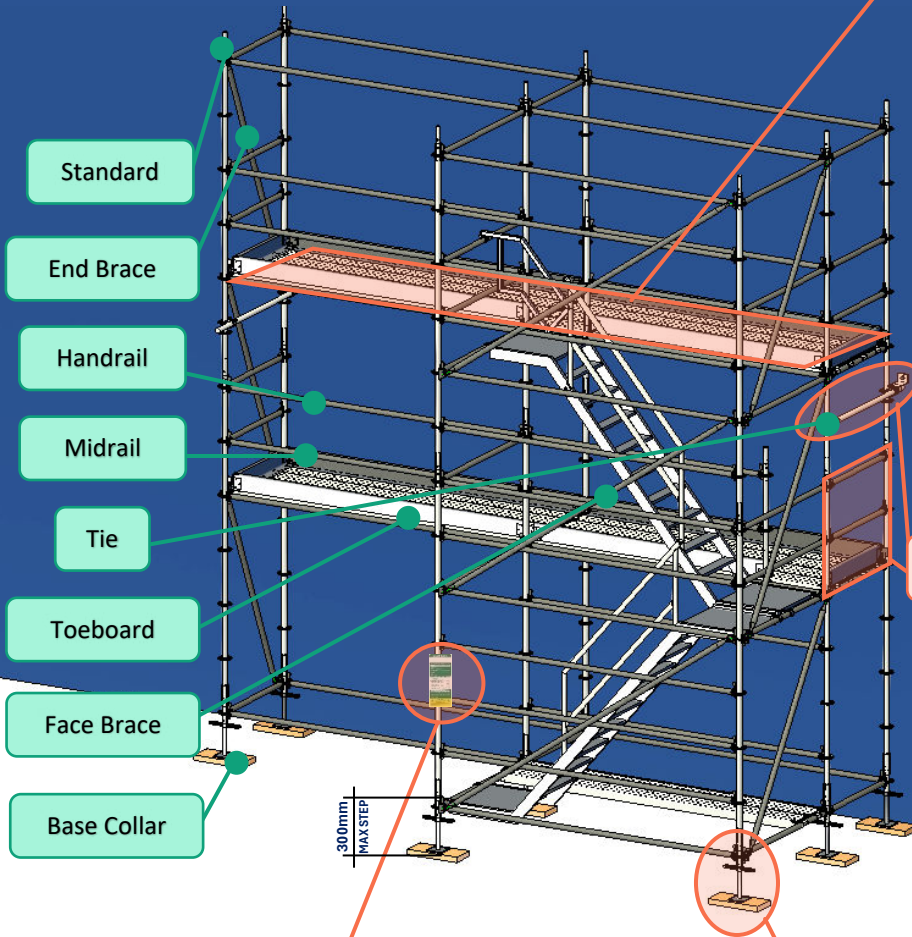


# Is your modular system scaffold compliant?

Use this guide to assess your structure's compliance.



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## ✓ PLATFORMS

- The Platforms load rating is nominated
- Platforms are slip-resistant with no trip hazards
- Gaps between planks are no greater than 10mm
- Ensure Planks cannot be dislodged by strong wind
- Max gap between working platform and structure is 225mm without a control
- If containment sheeting is used in control of falling objects, it should be manufactured in compliance with AS 1576.7 and local WPH&S requirements. Where possible use fire rated materials.
- Whilst not mandatory, best practice may include self closing gates at access points.

## ✓ EDGES & TIES

- Guardrails are set between 900mm to 1100mm in height
- Midrails are no more than 500mm apart
- Toeboards extend at least 150mm in height above the platform surface
- Ties are critical to ensure the scaffold is firm and stable. Additional ties will be required if encapsulation applied
- Ties should be designed for a minimum load of 6kN and supporting structure must be able to support nominated tie load.
- Braces installed on the ends and faces of scaffold bays. Refer to design drawings or manufacturer's specifications for arrangements
- Ties to be connected to both standards unless approved for front standard only with addition of a check coupler.

## ✓ INSPECTION & TAGS

- Scaffolds must be inspected before use, every 30 days or after a significant incident, impact or weather event.
- If tags are in use, they should be durable, easy to read, and placed at access points onto the scaffold
- Ensure scaffold has been handed over before access.
- Do not remove or modify any scaffold components
- Built in accordance with manufacturers design or scaffold plan
- Plans & Plant registration details should be readily available

## ✓ GROUND LEVEL

- Foundations can carry the weight of the scaffold and its working load in accordance with duty rating
- Soleplates or boards to distribute the weight of scaffolds built on ground
- Ground must be clear of excavations and debris for on-going erosion inspection
- Soleplates are sized depending on load applied & support conditions but are typically 500mm x 225mm timber although other approved materials may be used.