



Missing Guardrails



Missing Plank

**Tampering with scaffold
components can cause
fatal falls and dangerous
dropped objects!**



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Falls and falling objects are preventable **MAKE SAFETY YOUR PRIORITY!**

Scaffolds are designed to prevent both falls from height and the dropping of tools or debris. Unauthorised modifications such as removing guardrails, toe boards, platforms, or netting create dual hazards for those on and below the scaffold.



The Danger

Missing guardrails or platforms increase the risk of worker falls.

Missing toe boards or netting allow tools and debris to fall.

Both hazards can result in life-threatening injuries.

Real Consequences

Fatal or serious injuries to workers and bystanders.

Legal and insurance repercussions for employers.

Reduced morale and increased scrutiny of site safety practices.

The Solution



Only suitably licensed scaffolders from the company that built the scaffold should modify scaffolding.

Never remove guardrails, toe boards, or netting.

Secure tools and materials when working at height.

Inspect all fall protection and overhead safety components regularly.



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