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Manual: INL Subcontractor Requirements

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1. PURPOSE

This document provides requirements for the use of scaffolding by INL subcontractors to ensure worker safety. This document highlights requirements referenced in the “Source Documents” of this document, as well as Contractor requirements. Any applicable regulatory or Contractor requirements shall be followed, with the most stringent requirement being met.

2. APPLICABILITY

This document applies to all subcontractors working at the INL who erect, alter, work upon, move, or dismantle scaffolds, as specified in their contract with the Contractor. Stricter requirements may be imposed by subcontractors upon their employees or subtier contractors. The requirements of this document shall be followed by subcontractors, however, the means of implementation may vary as determined by the subcontractor.

3. REQUIREMENTS

3.1 All scaffolds shall meet the requirements of the manufacturer and 29 CFR 1926 subpart L.

Additional Requirements include:

- Each employee on a scaffold more than six feet above a lower level shall be protected from falling to the lower level.
- Employers are expected to provide fall protection for employees while erecting or dismantling scaffolds when exposed to a height of six feet **for construction, four feet for general industry (non-construction) or greater heights** where the installation and use of such protection is feasible and does not create a greater hazard.

3.2 Scaffold Inspections

3.2.1 A scaffold competent person shall inspect scaffolding in accordance with the requirements of 29 CFR 1926, Subpart L, before each work shift, when the scaffold is to be used, and before work resumes after the scaffold has been altered or moved. The inspection shall be documented on a Scaffold Inspection Tag that is attached to the scaffolding. See appendix A.

NOTE: *Manually propelled mobile scaffolds do not need to be re-inspected after each movement.*

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- 3.2.2 When scaffold is erected and safe for use, the scaffold competent person will sign a Scaffold Acceptance Tag (see example Appendix A) indicating that the scaffold has been inspected for that particular day.
- 3.2.3 Scaffold acceptance tags shall be legible, shall list any deficiencies, shall list any special instructions or limitations, and shall be signed and dated daily prior to work on scaffold.
- 3.2.4 The completed scaffold acceptance tags shall be attached at all access points.
- 3.2.5 Scaffold acceptance tags shall be removed from scaffolding during alteration, movement (except manually propelled scaffolds), or dismantling. New tags shall be completed and attached that says “DO NOT USE”.

4. REFERENCES

29 CFR 1926, Subpart L, Scaffolds

5. DEFINITIONS

For definitions of terms used throughout the INL Subcontractor Requirements Manual, refer to LST-359.

6. APPENDICES

Sample Scaffold Acceptance Tag

