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SMOHIT Safety Sense
 Toolbox Talks for the Sheet Metal Industry

Falls From Scaffolds

- Falls from scaffolds occur frequently in the sheet metal trade. Prevent falls from scaffolds by following these guidelines:
 - Make sure a qualified and competent person is in charge of the erection and disassembly of the scaffold.
 - Always keep the scaffold on solid, level ground.
 - Use guardrails, mid-rails and toeboards when working 6 feet or higher above a lower level.
 - Inspect scaffolds before you begin working on them. Make sure all work areas are fully planked and that access ladders and guardrails are secured. Discard all defective scaffold parts and report the defects to your supervisor.
 - Watch out for mud, grease, oil, ice, snow or any other traction robbing substances that could cause you to slip and fall. Check the scaffold ladder, platforms, walkways and the bottom of your boots for these slip hazards.
 - Keep platforms free of debris to avoid tripping hazards.
 - Do not carry tools or materials by hand when climbing the scaffold. Hoist tools and materials with a bucket and rope after you are on the platform.
 - Do not climb the structural cross-braces of a scaffold. Use the proper access ladders to climb on to and off of the scaffold.

Instructor Tips

- **Ask workers to discuss hazards of scaffolds from their own experiences.**

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