

16-Hour Scaffolding Competent Person Course

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Benefits

OSHA requires that scaffolds and scaffold components be inspected for visible defects by a competent person before each work shift, and after any occurrence which could affect a scaffold's structural integrity. Also, scaffolds can **only** be erected, moved, dismantled, or altered under the supervision and direction of a competent person. The competent person has several other responsibilities for ensuring the safety of work performed on scaffolds as per OSHA regulations (29 CFR 1926 Subpart L). EM 385-1-1 (Section 22) has similar requirements and additionally requires the competent person to use a tagging system to document scaffold inspections. This course uses a combination of lectures, hands-on workshops, video presentations and in-depth group discussions designed to provide the basic knowledge needed by the competent person. Course participants who successfully complete this course should have the knowledge to: inspect scaffolding for compliance with OSHA regulations and ANSI Standards, determine if scaffold components manufactured by different manufacturers can be intermixed; determine the feasibility of providing fall protection for employees erecting or dismantling supported scaffolds; and ensure the safety of work performed on scaffolds.

Who Should Attend

Health & Safety Personnel, Site Safety and Health Officers (SSHOs), those with responsibilities as Scaffold Competent Persons, and anyone interested in gaining in-depth knowledge on scaffolding.

Selected Course Topics

- ❖ OSHA Regulations, EM 385-1-1, and ANSI Standards
- ❖ Scaffolding Types, Capacity and Design
- ❖ Supported vs. Suspended Scaffolding
- ❖ Safe Access
- ❖ Fall/Falling Object Protection
- ❖ Mobile Scaffolds
- ❖ Aerial Lifts

