

# Section 10

## PORTABLE LADDERS / SCAFFOLDS / STATIONARY WORK PLATFORMS

### 10.1 Scaffolds and Stationary Work Platforms

- (a) Scaffolds and stationary work platforms shall be erected in accordance with approved safety standards under the supervision of a **Competent Person** (see Section 21).
- (b) When used, wooden or synthetic planks shall be scaffold-grade or approved by a **Qualified Person** for scaffold and stationary work platforms use capable of withstanding 4 times the working load.
- (c) The assembly and disassembly of scaffolds and stationary work platforms shall be done using a safety harness and lifeline anytime there is more than a 6 ft (1.8 m) fall exposure.
- (d) Ladders are required to reach working surfaces more than 2 ft (610 mm) above or below the point of access.
- (e) In hoistways, at least two 2 in. (51 mm) by 10 in. (254 mm) planks must be used with a minimum of 6 in. (152 mm) of bearing and a maximum of 12 in. (305 mm) of overhang beyond the bearing surface. The span shall not exceed 10 ft (3.05 m) for a single plank. The planks shall be cleated to prevent movement.
- (f) No planks shall be of such length as to extend into passageways where there is a possibility of planking being bumped by the movement of people, materials or equipment through the area.
- (g) Under no circumstances shall others be permitted to use the Elevator Company's scaffolds, scaffolding materials or stationary work platforms unless approved by your Supervisor/Manager. Under no circumstances shall the