

WAC 296-874-30046 Meet these requirements when using two-point adjustable suspension scaffolds (swing stages).

Important:

This section does not apply to two-point adjustable suspension scaffolds used as masons' or stonemasons' scaffolds.

Reference: For requirements for masons' or stonemasons' scaffolds, go to WAC 296-874-30040.

(1) You must make sure platforms more than thirty-six inches (0.9 m) wide have been designed by a qualified person to prevent unstable conditions.

(2) You must make sure platforms are one of the following:

- (a) Ladder-type;
- (b) Plank-type;
- (c) Beam-type;
- (d) Light-metal type.

(3) You must make sure the design of light-metal type platforms have been tested and listed by a nationally recognized testing laboratory if they:

(a) Have a rated capacity of seven hundred fifty pounds or less;

or

(b) Have a length of forty feet (12.2 m) or less.

(4) You must securely fasten the platform to the hangers (stirrups) using U-bolts or other means that satisfy the section titled, Make sure suspended scaffolds and scaffold components meet these strength requirements, WAC 296-874-30002.

(5) You must make sure fiber or synthetic ropes are used with blocks that:

- (a) Consist of at least one double and one single block and;
- (b) Have sheaves that fit the size of the rope used.

(6) You must make sure employees move from one platform to another only when all of the following are met:

- (a) The platforms are at the same height;
- (b) The platforms are abutting;
- (c) Walk-through stirrups are used that have been specifically designed to allow employee passage.

(7) You must make sure two-point scaffolds that are bridged or otherwise connected together when being raised or lowered meet both of the following:

- (a) The bridge connections are articulated;
- (b) The hoists are properly sized.

Reference: For specific fall protection requirements for employees on two-point adjustable suspension scaffolds, go to WAC 296-874-20056.

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