

**OBS643** 

# Scaffold Erector (Builder) and Inspector Competent Person (10-hrs)

#### **Duration**

1 day

### **Target group**

Individuals involved in erecting, disassembling, moving, operating, repairing, maintaining, or inspecting a scaffold.

\*\*This training certificate does not establish the individual a competent person. Requirements for being designated a competent person under Part 1926 Subpart L (Scaffolds) definition provides "one who is capable of identifying existing and predictable hazards in the surroundings or working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to employees, and who has authorization to take prompt corrective measures to eliminate them." By its terms, the definition of a "competent person" compels the employer to select an employee based upon their capability to identify hazards. No course can provide that authority, since it can only be provided by the employer.

The standard does not specify particular training requirements for competent persons. Instead, it defines a competent person in terms of capability.\*

#### **Prerequisites**

None

## Objective

To prepare individuals who are involved in erecting, disassembling, moving, operating, repairing, maintaining, or inspecting a scaffold trained by a competent person to recognize any hazards associated with the work in question and understanding correct procedures.

#### **Contents**

The key topics covered during this training follow 1926.21(b)(2)(b) which include:

- Basic Guidelines for Scaffold Erection
- Inspecting Fabricated Frame Supported Scaffolds
- Inspecting Other Supported Scaffolds (tube and coupler scaffolds, mobile scaffolds, pole scaffolds, bricklayer's square scaffold)
- Special Use Supported Scaffolds
- (form and carpenter bracket scaffolds, roof bracket scaffolds, outrigger scaffolds, pump jack
- scaffold, ladder and window jack scaffold, crawling board scaffold, step, platform and trestle
- ladder scaffold, plasters, decorators and large-area scaffolds)
  Inspecting Suspended Scaffolds (anchorage and support)
- Inspecting Special Use Suspended Scaffolds
- (single-point adjustable, boatswain's chair, catenary scaffold, multi-point adjustable,
- multi-level suspended, float (ship) scaffold, interior hung, needle beam)
- Determining Scaffold (calculating amount and safe working load)
- Written Examination and Hands-on Practical Assessment

## Exam

The candidate will be required to score a minimum competency of 70% on a written exam. Hands on proficiencies will be demonstrated to include the erection and dismantling of a scaffold system