Daily Scaffold Inspection Checklist

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A before-every-shift inspection template matching OSHA 1926.451(f)(3)'s competent-person requirement — covering foundation, guardrails, planking, access, and the tag status itself.

Rope/Equipment ID: _____ **Date:** _____ **Inspector Signature:** _____

Foundation & Base

- ☐ Placed on stable, level ground — no signs of shifting or settling
- ☐ Base plates and/or mud sills used where required
- ☐ Casters locked (if a mobile/rolling scaffold)

Structure

- ☐ All braces, cross-braces, and locking pins fully engaged
- ☐ No bent, damaged, or missing structural members
- ☐ Platform fully planked between the front uprights and guardrail supports
- ☐ No gaps between planks wider than 1 inch

Fall Protection

- ☐ Guardrails in place on all open sides and ends above 10 feet
- ☐ Toprail height between 38 and 45 inches
- ☐ Midrail installed approximately halfway between toprail and platform
- ☐ Toeboards in place where falling-object hazards exist below

Access

- ☐ Ladder, ramp, or equivalent safe access provided — no climbing cross-braces
- ☐ Access point clear of obstructions

Tag Status

- ☐ Tag color matches actual current condition (green/yellow/red)
- ☐ Inspector name and today's date recorded on the tag
- ☐ Any restrictions noted on a yellow tag are clearly legible

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