

# BEWARE OF CHEAP SCAFFOLDING

## HIRING CHEAP AND UNCERTIFIED SCAFFOLDING COMPANIES COULD BE A COSTLY MISTAKE TO YOU

As a homeowner, it's crucial to prioritise safety when undertaking any construction or renovation project. One area where you should never compromise is in the quality of scaffolding. Reliable scaffolding is essential for your contractors to perform their best work. Substandard scaffolding can hinder their ability to access certain areas safely and efficiently, compromising the quality of the entire project. Here are some risks that directly affect YOU.

- 1 Your liability** Using uncertified or cheap scaffolding can **void insurance coverage** in case of an accident. This leaves you financially liable for any injuries or damages that occur. Investing in reputable scaffolding not only protects your project but also ensures you are covered in case of unexpected events.
- 2 Respecting Property Boundaries** Placing scaffolding on a neighbour's property without permission can **lead to legal disputes** and strained relationships. It's not just a matter of courtesy but also a **legal requirement to ensure that all scaffolding is erected within the boundaries of your property** or with explicit permission from the neighboring property owner. Avoid these pitfalls by working with a professional scaffolding company that respects property lines and secures the necessary permissions.

- 3 WorkSafe Compliance** WorkSafe New Zealand plays a crucial role in ensuring that scaffolding used in construction projects meets safety standards. If scaffolding is found to be unsafe, WorkSafe has the authority to issue fines, stop work orders, or even prosecute those responsible. **Homeowners can be held liable** if the scaffolding on their property does not meet safety standards, leading to significant legal and financial consequences. Avoid these risks by investing in high-quality, compliant scaffolding from the start.
- 4 Property Damage** Inferior scaffolding can not only be a safety risk but also cause **significant damage to your property**. Poorly constructed or unstable scaffolding can scrape, dent, or even collapse against your home, leading to costly repairs. Protect the integrity of your home by opting for scaffolding that is robust and reliable.

- 5 Client Relationships** Professional painters care about their safety, you and your property. They only use certified professionals for scaffolding because of the risks if something goes wrong.

We use exclusively a local Wellington company who are certified professionals and share the same values as us when it comes to caring about our people, property and clients.



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