

Jobsite Safety Inspection Checklist

IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ

This checklist is a general reference and a record-keeping aid for construction jobsites. It is NOT legal advice, NOT a substitute for a qualified safety professional, and does NOT guarantee compliance with OSHA or any other regulation.

Requirements change and vary by job, trade and state. Check every item against the current official text at [osha.gov](https://www.osha.gov) (29 CFR Part 1926 for construction) and your company safety program. The "Ref" column only points to the relevant OSHA subpart as a starting place.

VERIFY EVERY ITEM AGAINST (before relying on this checklist)

- OSHA construction standards — 29 CFR Part 1926, current text at [osha.gov](https://www.osha.gov). Use the subpart named in the Ref column as a starting point. Some topics point to general-industry rules (e.g. hazard communication, 29 CFR 1910.1200).
- The type of work actually on your site — read the subpart for each hazard you have (e.g. roofing/framing → fall protection, Subpart M; excavation → Subpart P; welding/cutting → Subpart J; concrete/masonry cutting → silica, 29 CFR 1926.1153; steel erection → Subpart R; cranes → Subpart CC; demolition → Subpart T).
- State and local rules — states with their own OSHA-approved plan can be stricter; also city/county permit and inspection requirements.
- Your site-specific safety plan, the general contractor's / owner's safety requirements, and your contract documents.
- Your insurance carrier's safety requirements.
- Manufacturer instructions for ladders, scaffolds, tools, fall-protection gear and equipment.
- Consensus standards often referenced on construction sites: ANSI/ASSP A10 series (construction safety), ANSI/ASSP Z359 (fall protection), NFPA 70 / NEC and NFPA 70E (electrical), NFPA 51B (hot work).
- A qualified safety professional or the designated 'competent person' for the specific hazard.

How to use

1. On the "Checklist" tab fill in the yellow header cells (project, date, inspector, weather, competent person).
2. Walk the site. For each line choose Yes, No or N/A in the drop-down (yellow cells). Use N/A when the item does not apply on this job.
3. Any "No" turns red. Write what you found and what will be done in Notes, then log it on the "Action items" tab with a responsible person and due date.
4. The score at the top counts Yes and No answers (N/A excluded). $\text{Score} = \text{Yes} \div (\text{Yes} + \text{No})$. It is only a quick indicator — one serious "No" matters more than a high score.
5. Fix serious hazards immediately; stop work if workers are in danger. Re-inspect after corrections.
6. Save a copy per inspection (File → Save As) with the date in the file name.

Yellow cells are for you to fill in. White/gray cells are formulas.

JOBSITE SAFETY INSPECTION CHECKLIST — RECOMMENDATION ONLY

Project		Date	Yes: 0 No: 0 N/A: 0
By		Weather	Score: –
Competent person		Address	No open items marked

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#	Item	OSHA reference (verify current text)	Yes / No / N/A	Notes / corrective action
GENERAL				
1	Emergency contacts, nearest hospital and site address are posted	General / Subpart C		
2	First aid kit is stocked and a trained person is on site	General / Subpart C		
3	Fire extinguishers are accessible, charged and inspected	General / Subpart C		
4	Workers have received safety training; toolbox talk held	General / Subpart C		
5	Competent person(s) identified for the hazards on this site	General / Subpart C		
6	Walkways, stairs and work areas are clear of debris, nails and trip hazards	General / Subpart C		
7	Lighting is adequate in all work areas	General / Subpart C		
PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT				
8	Hard hats worn where there is a risk of falling objects	Subpart E		
9	Eye / face protection worn for cutting, grinding, nailing, chipping	Subpart E		
10	Hearing protection used where noise is high	Subpart E		
11	Appropriate gloves and sturdy footwear are worn	Subpart E		
12	High-visibility clothing worn near traffic or moving equipment	Subpart E		
13	Respiratory protection used where dust or fumes require it	Subpart E		
FALL PROTECTION				
14	Guardrails, safety nets or personal fall arrest systems used at unprotected edges at height	Subpart M		
15	Floor, roof and wall openings are covered or guarded and marked	Subpart M		
16	Workers on roofs are protected from falls	Subpart M		
17	Fall protection equipment is inspected and worn correctly	Subpart M		
LADDERS AND SCAFFOLDS				
18	Ladders are in good condition, set at a safe angle and secured	Subparts X and L		
19	Ladders extend above the landing where used for access	Subparts X and L		
20	Scaffolds are erected on firm footing and inspected by a competent person before each shift	Subparts X and L		
21	Scaffold platforms are fully planked with guardrails and safe access	Subparts X and L		
EXCAVATIONS AND TRENCHES				
22	Underground utilities located and marked before digging	Subpart P		
23	Competent person inspects excavations daily and after rain or other changes	Subpart P		
24	Protective system (sloping, shoring or shield) in place where required	Subpart P		
25	Safe way in and out (ladder or ramp) provided; spoil and materials kept back from the edge	Subpart P		
ELECTRICAL				
26	Temporary power has GFCI protection	Subpart K		
27	Extension cords are undamaged, no taped splices, not run through water or doorways	Subpart K		
28	Panels and junction boxes are covered; no exposed live parts	Subpart K		
29	Lockout / tagout used when working on equipment or circuits	Subpart K		
TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT				
30	Guards are in place on saws, grinders and other power tools	Subparts I and O		
31	Tools are inspected; damaged tools are removed from service	Subparts I and O		
32	Power tools are grounded or double-insulated	Subparts I and O		
33	Heavy equipment has working backup alarm / spotter and operators are trained	Subparts I and O		
34	Compressed air and gas hoses/cylinders are used and stored safely	Subparts I and O		
WELDING, CUTTING AND FIRE				
35	Hot-work area is cleared of combustibles; fire extinguisher and fire watch available	Subparts J and F		
36	Gas cylinders are secured upright and capped; oxygen and fuel gas stored apart	Subparts J and F		
37	Flammable liquids are stored in approved containers	Subparts J and F		
38	Safety Data Sheets are available for hazardous products on site	Subparts J and F		
HEALTH AND WELFARE				
39	Drinking water and toilet facilities are provided	Subparts D and Z		
40	Heat / cold stress plan is in place when the weather requires it	Subparts D and Z		
41	Dust controls used when cutting concrete or masonry (silica)	Subparts D and Z		

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42	Noise, lifting and awkward-posture risks have been considered	Subparts D and Z		

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ACTION ITEMS / CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

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