## NASC

National Access & Scaffolding Confederation

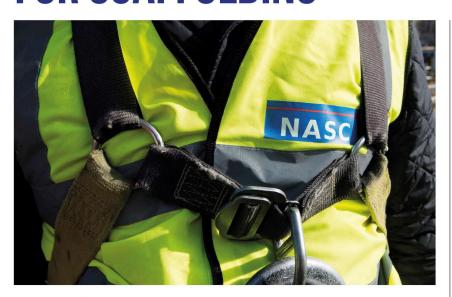
### **ASW** SCAFFOLDING

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PROUD TO BE A FULL CONTRACTING MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL ACCESS & SCAFFOLDING CONFEDERATION (NASC)

# SETTING THE STANDARD FOR SCAFFOLDING



#### **ABOUT THE NASC**

The NASC is the national trade body for access and scaffolding in the UK, established in 1945 with the aim of promoting high standards of safety within the industry.

Nearly 80 years later, raising and maintaining safety standards remains at the heart of the NASC's objectives – driving every activity it undertakes.

This includes the production of a wide range of industry-recognised safety and technical guidance, created to support the needs of scaffolding contractors, their operatives and clients, and accepted as the industry standard by HSE, Build UK, CITB and principal contractors alike.

The same approach is extended to new membership applications, with a stringent set of criteria in place to ensure that the highest working practices are maintained.

NASC members are strictly audited every year to ensure compliance with NASC Criteria, Code of Conduct and the Code of Practice for scaffolding products.

These high standards are recognised and valued by construction industry leaders, who continue to stipulate 'NASC only' companies for access and scaffolding.

#### **SAFETY FIRST**

Each year the NASC publishes a Health and Safety Report that documents and analyses accident and injury statistics for its full contracting members –



representing more than 16,000 scaffolding operatives across the UK in 2017.

The 2018 report, covering January to December 2017, shows the number of accidents and injuries recorded by NASC members fell to an all-time

Highlights of the 2018 Report:

- 89 reportable incidences occurring on-site down from 96 in 2016
- 17 major injuries recorded in 2017, down 37% from 27 year-on-year
- Zero fatalities for the fifth year running
- 46% reduction in falls from height
- 36% reduction in manual handling injuries
- Zero members of the public injured around NASC member scaffolds



#### WHY USE AN NASC MEMBER

An increasing number of clients are specifying NASC only companies because they recognise it demonstrates their commitment to high standards and best practice and also provides them with best value. As part of the application and annual audit process a full contracting member must meet the following criteria:

- **Highly trained** all NASC members must have a minimum of 90% of its scaffolding operatives registered with CISRS (Construction Industry Scaffolders Record Scheme)
- Expertise a minimum of 75% of all yard and site operatives must be directly employed as a condition of membership
- Experienced our members must have been trading as a limited company for at least two years before applying for membership. The company must also be VAT registered

- **Equipment** all scaffolding plant and equipment must be clearly identifiable
- Audited members must complete an annual NASC membership audit, ensuring the highest possible standards are met
- **Covered** all members must hold a minimum of £5 million public liability insurance plus at least £10 million employers' liability cover
- Safe all members must provide a satisfactory signed Health and Safety policy statement and provide evidence that they meet current health and safety legislation
- **CoP** members must abide by the NASC Code of Conduct

#### WHY THIS MATTERS TO YOU

NASC full contracting members are demonstrably safe, skilled, trained, insured and compliant. If they weren't, they wouldn't be able to attain or retain NASC membership.

This gives the companies and organisations that employ their services a number of assurances. They can be sure they're taking on contractors that are professional, reliable, experienced and used to delivering high-quality scaffolding solutions and working with other trades on site without accident or injury.

This all adds up to peace of mind that the NASC contractor you employ is capable, competent and can carry out the job in hand.

