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FACTORIES AND MACHINERY (BUILDING OPERATIONS AND WORKS OF ENGINEERING
CONSTRUCTION) (SAFETY) REGULATIONS 1986
PART X - SCAFFOLDS

Regulation 78. Gears for suspension of scaffolds.

(1) Chains, ropes and lifting gear used for the suspension of scaffolds shall be of sound material, adequate strength and suitable quality, and in good condition.

(2) No rope other than a wire rope shall be used for the suspension of a scaffold, but this requirement shall not apply in the case of a suspended scaffold which is raised or lowered otherwise than by means of winches or in the case of those equipment being used for the purposes of a suspended scaffold in accordance with regulation 83.

(3) Chains, ropes and metal tubes used for the suspension of a scaffold other than a suspended scaffold shall be properly and securely fastened to safe anchorage points and to the scaffold ledgers or other main supporting members. They shall be so positioned as to ensure stability of the scaffold, be approximately vertical and be kept taut.

(4) Every scaffold suspended by means of ropes or chains shall be secured to prevent undue horizontal movement while it is used as a working platform.