

Hazard Points

THE HAZARD	WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT
Your platform work space is getting smaller because of tools, equipment or spare stone.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tidy up your work area area. Reorganise and store equipment together in a larger container so it is not lying around in the way of your standing space.• Find more storage space elsewhere on the scaffold, or move some of the unused tools, equipment or stone back down to the ground.
Other workers below you	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Check that those workers know you are above them.• Make sure you have toeboards along your work platform.• Tie down your stored materials.• Tether your tools and equipment so they cannot fall down if dropped.• If you feel it is unsafe for the workers to continuing working below you, ask your supervisor if you can stop work until they are gone or to clear the area immediately below you.
Other workers above you	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Check the workers know you are below them.• Wear a safety helmet.• If you believe it is unsafe for you to continue your work, ask your supervisor if you can stop work until the workers above are gone, or for a protective catch scen to be put above your work space on the scaffolding.
Overlapping planks between bays	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Keep monitoring where you are on the scaffold so you do not trip.
Wet, slippery planks	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use non-slip footwear.• If you feel unsafe, stop work and talk about the problem with your supervisor.
High winds	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Check all your equipment is secured so it is not blown off the scaffolding.• Stop work until the wind reduces.
Heat (sun)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wear a hat, sunglasses and sunblock whilst you work.• Drink plenty of water.• Stop work and cool down if you are becoming excessively hot.
You have to increasingly stretch to place or work on stone	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reposition yourself so overreaching or excessive lifting is not required.• Talk to your supervisor about extending the scaffold.