

Never lean too far to one side to reach.

Never do anything that involves applying a lot of force. The trestle could topple over.

The maximum safe working load of all staging is 270 KG evenly distributed. The total weight of the user and tools must not exceed this.

Never use the trestle in the closed position acting as a ladder or as a ramp with boards.

When moving to a new site, carry the equipment with care.

Never use steps, boxes etc. to gain extra height.

GETTING STARTED

Always set up the equipment on a firm, level, non-slip surface. On soft ground, stand the equipment on boards to stop it sinking in.

Open each trestle and place opposite each other at a distance which allows the staging to be adequately supported.

Make sure the trestles are fully extended. Never use them partly open.

Now place the staging on the trestles at the height required, ensuring that it is central. Have an able-bodied assistant to help lift the staging into position.

Ensure the staging rests securely on the trestles, with both ends extending at least 300mm beyond the rungs.

Use the safety clips provided to secure the staging to its trestles.

If using GUARD RAILS...

Clamp the guard rail uprights to the staging (see illustration), not more than 2.4m apart. Ensuring that the bolts are fully tightened.

Clamp the rails to the uprights, one to the top and one midway, ensuring their ends do not extend more than 300mm beyond the outer uprights.

Finally, clip the toe-boards to the bottom of the uprights, so they face in towards the staging.

EQUIPMENT CARE

Keep the equipment clean, you will find it less of a chore if you clean it regularly rather than at the end of the hire period.

When not in use, store the equipment somewhere clean, dry and safe from thieves.

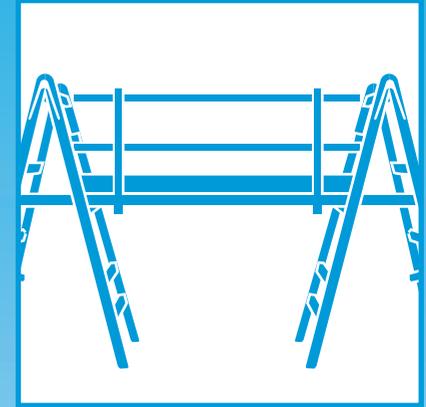
FINISHING OFF

Dismantle the assembly, simply reverse the erection procedure, then give everything a final clean, ready for return to your local HSS Hire Shop.

NOTE: If transporting boards or stagings on a roof rack, tie down securely and ensure they do not protrude more than 1m beyond the front or rear of your vehicle.

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DECORATORS TRESTLES, LIGHTWEIGHT STAGING BOARDS & GUARD RAILS

Sturdy trestles used with lightweight staging to provide the ideal platform for decorating and low-level maintenance jobs. Guard rail systems to give added safety to the user.



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GENERAL SAFETY

New Health and Safety regulations, introduced in early 1997, now require that a work platform of 2m and above must have a minimum platform width of 600mm and be fitted with twin bar guard rails with toe boards on each side.

Single lightweight Staging boards supplied by HSS must NOT be used at 2m and above, as their width is only 450mm. However, they may be used at 2m and above in pairs laid side by side (giving a platform width of 900mm), but must be fitted with guard rails and toe boards.

For advice on the safety and suitability of this equipment contact your local HSS Hire Shop.

Keep children, animals and bystanders away from the work area.

Never use this equipment if you are ill, feeling tired, or under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

This equipment should only be used by a competent person who has read and understood these instructions.



Wear sensible clothing and stout, comfortable footwear offering good grip. If necessary, wear goggles and gloves.



A hard hat must be worn by everyone in the work area.

Don't attempt to use access equipment unless you feel comfortable working at heights.

Never use access equipment unless there is someone within ear-shot to summon help in the event of an accident.

Warning!

Do not stack materials or step onto any unsupported end of a board or staging.

Never carry equipment while climbing unless you can do so leaving your hands free, by carrying the equipment in a shoulder bag. Climb first, then haul the equipment up after you on a rope.

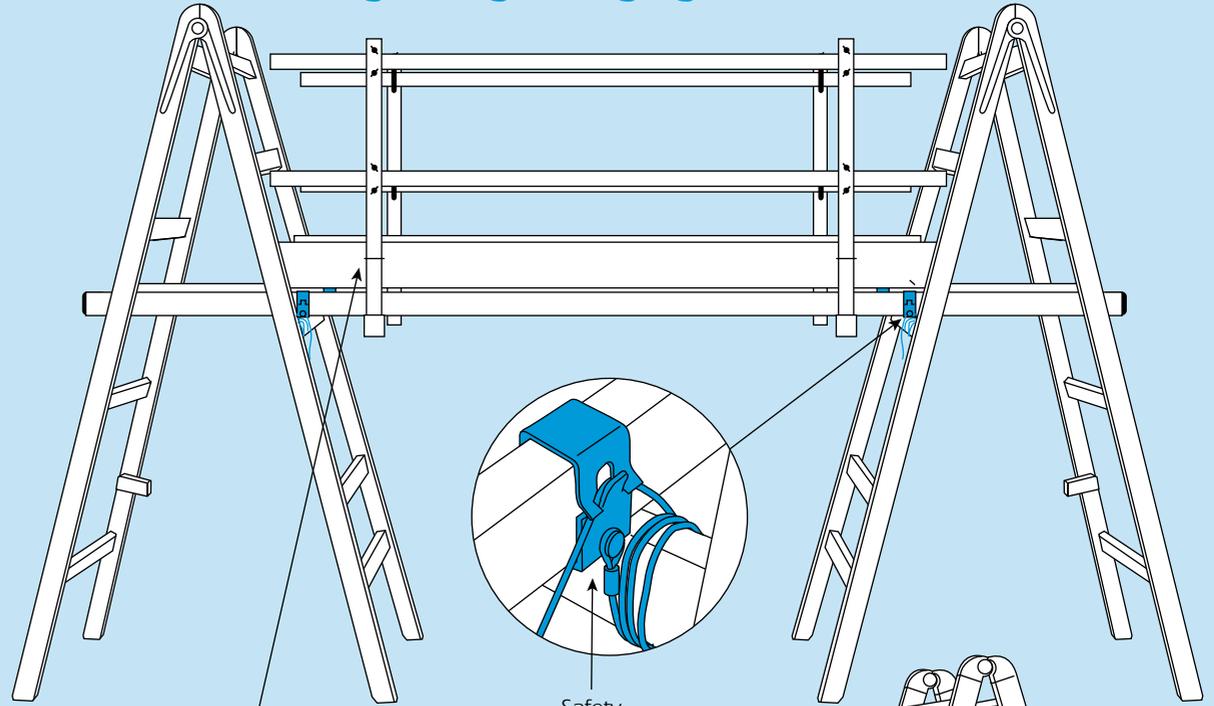
Be aware and check for overhead or wall mounted power cables and similar hazards, when using access equipment.

Check the equipment's condition before use. If it shows signs of damage or excessive wear, notably to feet, rungs, hinges, bolts, clips and stiles, return it to your local HSS Hire Shop immediately.

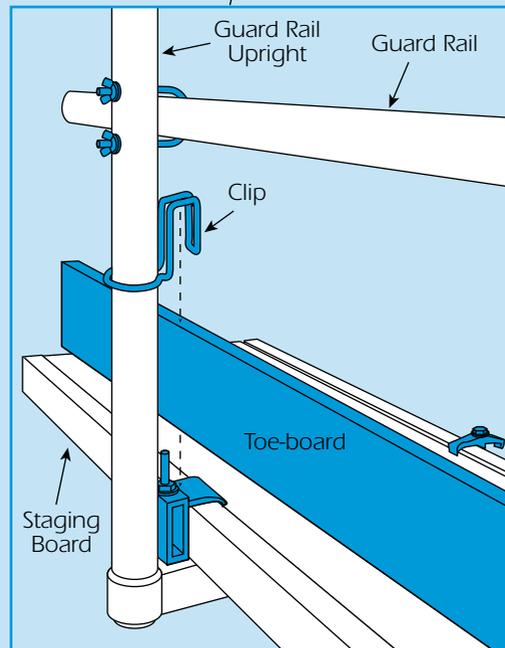
Always climb on the outer face never on the underside.

Never use the equipment in very windy or blustery conditions.

Timber Trestles, Lightweight Staging and Guardrail Assemble



Safety Clip



Alloy Trestles

