

Statutory basis: HSWA 1974 s.2(2)(a) and MHSWR 1999 regs 3 and 5 — this document is the recorded safe system of work. CDM 2015 reg 19 requires that a structure is not loaded or altered so as to become unstable; BS 5975-1:2024 and BS 5975-2:2024 set the procedure — a named temporary works coordinator, a design by a competent designer checked to the category the risk demands, a permit to load before load is applied and a permit to strike before removal (KD-PTW-TL-022). Work at Height Regulations 2005 govern erection and striking at height; LOLER 1998 reg 8 the planned lifting of components; HSG150 (3rd edition, 2006) is the general guidance. Prepared against legislation current at 10/08/2026.

1 DOCUMENT AND PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

RAMS REFERENCE	PROJECT / SITE REF	SITE NAME AND ADDRESS	DATE PREPARED	NEXT REVIEW DATE
CLIENT / PRINCIPAL CONTRACTOR	PLANNED START	DURATION	OPERATIVES	SUPERVISING THE WORK

2 SCOPE OF WORKS

Erection and striking of falsework and back-propping for suspended concrete floors: propping the slab below to carry the wet slab and construction loads, falsework to the design, permit to load before the pour, striking to the strength criteria, and back-propping retained through the number of floors the design requires.

This document does not cover: the concrete pour itself (KD-RAMS-CF-001) and formwork face work (KD-RAMS-CF-002).

SITE-SPECIFIC SCOPE, LOCATIONS AND LIMITATIONS

3 RISK ASSESSMENT — SCORE EACH RISK FOR THIS SITE, THEN ADD WHAT IS MISSING

The hazards and controls below are the starting point for this activity, written by a working main contractor. They are not complete for your site until a competent person has scored each risk, added the site-specific hazards, and struck out anything that does not apply. Rate risks High / Medium / Low before and after controls.

1. Load applied before the temporary works are checked, or struck before the permanent works can carry it

At risk: Everyone on or below the structure

Controls: No load without a permit to load signed by the TWC; no strike without a permit to strike backed by cube results or the engineer's written confirmation. The sequence on the drawing is the sequence on site.

INITIAL (H/M/L)	RESIDUAL (H/M/L)	SITE-SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL CONTROLS, OR N/A	ACTION OWNER	BY WHEN

2. Erection that departs from the checked design — fewer props, wrong bracing, packers instead of bearing

At risk: Everyone on or below the structure

Controls: Erect to the checked design only; any change goes back to the designer before it is built, not after. The TWC inspects against the drawing, not against what looks right.

INITIAL (H/M/L)	RESIDUAL (H/M/L)	SITE-SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL CONTROLS, OR N/A	ACTION OWNER	BY WHEN

3. Work at height from steps, podiums, towers or MEWPs

At risk: Operatives, and anyone below

Controls: Select access by the Work at Height hierarchy — podium or tower before steps; MEWPs by trained (IPAF) operators only. Inspect access equipment before use, establish an exclusion below overhead work, and secure tools and materials against dropping.

INITIAL (H/M/L)	RESIDUAL (H/M/L)	SITE-SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL CONTROLS, OR N/A	ACTION OWNER	BY WHEN

4. Manual handling of props, needles, forkheads and sole plates — heavy, awkward, at height

At risk: Erectors

Controls: Props and needles positioned by two people or by crane / telehandler; components lifted from the ground by hoist where the design allows; no carrying of props up ladders — hoist or platform.

INITIAL (H/M/L)	RESIDUAL (H/M/L)	SITE-SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL CONTROLS, OR N/A	ACTION OWNER	BY WHEN

5. Slips, trips and housekeeping

At risk: Everyone in the work area

Controls: Keep the workplace clear, remove waste and offcuts as they are created, route leads at high level or under mats, and maintain task lighting.

INITIAL (H/M/L)	RESIDUAL (H/M/L)	SITE-SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL CONTROLS, OR N/A	ACTION OWNER	BY WHEN

6. Striking before the slab has the strength to carry itself and the floors above

At risk: Everyone on the floors

Controls: Strike only on cube or maturity results meeting the design criterion, confirmed by the permit to strike; back-propping retained through the designed number of floors; no removal of back-props to suit access.

INITIAL (H/M/L)	RESIDUAL (H/M/L)	SITE-SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL CONTROLS, OR N/A	ACTION OWNER	BY WHEN

Site-specific hazards not listed above — every site has at least one:

HAZARD	WHO IS AT RISK	CONTROLS	INITIAL HI...	RESIDUAL...	ACTION OWNER	BY WHEN

4 METHOD — SEQUENCE OF WORK

- 01 Receive the falsework and back-propping design; TWC confirms the check category.
- 02 Install back-props on the floor below to the design before falsework loads it; TWC inspects.
- 03 Erect falsework to the design — props, forkheads, bearers, ledgers, bracing; TWC inspects and permits to load before the pour.
- 04 Pour under KD-RAMS-CF-001; keep construction loads within the design; no stacking on the fresh slab.
- 05 Test cubes or maturity; TWC issues the permit to strike at the design strength; strike in sequence leaving back-props as designed.
- 06 Remove back-propping only when the design allows for that floor.
- SITE-SPECIFIC AMENDMENTS TO THE SEQUENCE

5 PLANT, EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS

Proprietary falsework and props

Cube moulds / maturity sensors

INSPECTION / THOROUGH EXAMINATION REFS

COSHH ASSESSMENT REFS

6 PPE — THE LAST LINE OF CONTROL, NOT THE FIRST

Head protection

High visibility

Eye protection

Safety footwear

Gloves — task-rated

Hearing protection

RPE TYPE, FACE-FIT STATUS, AND ANY OTHER PPE REQUIRED

7 PERMITS REQUIRED BEFORE THIS WORK STARTS

A permit authorises this work in that place, on that day. It extends the safe system of work in this document — it does not replace it (HSE HSG250). The site issues the permit; record its number before work starts.

KD-PTW-TL-022 — Permit to Load and Strike — Temporary Works

Before every pour and before every strike.

PERMIT NUMBER

8 EMERGENCY ARRANGEMENTS — COMPLETE FOR THIS SITE

FIRST AIDER AND LOCATION

NEAREST A&E

ASSEMBLY POINT

HOW THE ALARM IS RAISED

EMERGENCY ACCESS FOR THIS WORK AREA

SPILL / ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE

9 BRIEFING RECORD — EVERYONE WORKING UNDER THIS RAMS SIGNS BEFORE STARTING

By signing you confirm the contents of this RAMS have been explained to you, you understand the hazards and controls, and you will work to the sequence stated. Tell the supervisor if the work or the site does not match this document — work stops until it does.

NAME	COMPANY	SIGNATURE	DATE

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10 PREPARED AND ACCEPTED

Prepared / adapted for this site by — I confirm I have adapted this document to the site, scored the risks, and that it describes how the work will actually be done.

PRINTED NAME	ROLE / COMPETENCE	COMPANY	SIGNATURE	DATE	TIME

Accepted for the site by — principal contractor or site manager review.

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Review this RAMS if the work, the site or the law changes, and at least before each new phase of the works. Flatten the completed PDF before filing so the record cannot be silently edited.

R REVISION HISTORY

Every revision of this document, and every review that found nothing to change. The revision on the front of this sheet is the one you are holding — check kubitdocs.com for the current one before use.

Rev	Date	Class	What changed	Authorised by
D0	2026-08-28	first-issue	First issue.	— not yet approved —
A0	2026-08-29	review	Approved for issue by the author. Content unchanged from the draft; the draft status strip is removed. No independent third-party review has been carried out.	Author — director, UK principal contractor, SMSTS. Not an independent review.

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