Risk Assessment – Use of Trestles.

Company:	SES Engineering (Newark) Ltd	Date:	16.05.2022	Review Date:	16.05.2023	Ref:	SES/0051

Operation:	Use of Trestles				Persons at risk:	Employees, 3rd parties

HAZARD	Assessment			CONTROL MEASURES TO REDUCE THE RISK	Re-Assessment		
	S	L	R		S	L	R
Falls from height- Serious injury.	4	3	12	Where reasonably practicable, use a mobile scaffold tower in preference to trestles. Materials must be stored on working platforms in minimum quantities and always allow safe passage. Where the working platform is at height of 2m or over, guardrails and tow boards must be fitted in accordance with current legislation. PPE to be used where appropriate.	4	1	4
Falling objects.	4	3	12	Debris guards, netting or fans to be used in public areas. The need for the work to be carried out in a public area to be assessed and public access to be denied if required depending upon operations being carried out.	4	1	4
Collapse of trestle.	4	3	12	Trestles should never be overloaded – seek manufacturers guidance if in doubt. Wherever possible trestles should be adequately tied in order to secure them. Trestles should be checked prior to use, no loose cross bars, hinges in good condition, no defective stiles. To be withdrawn from service is **any** defect is present.	4	1	4

Likelihood → ↓ Severity	Likely (5)	Probable (4)	Possible (3)	Unlikely (2)	Very unlikely (1)
Death (4)	20	16	12	8	4
Major Injury (3)	15	12	9	6	3
Minor Injury (2)	10	8	6	4	2
No Injury (1)	5	4	3	2	1

KEY: S = Severity
L = Likelihood
R = Risk rating

12-20 High risk	
8-10 Medium risk	
1-6 Low risk	

PPE Required:	
Hard hat	Y
High vis clothing & boots	Y
Eye/ ear protection	As necessary
Suitable gloves	As necessary
Respiratory equipment	As necessary
Safety harness	Y

Risk assessment to be reviewed every 12 months or following an accident / incident.