



PASMA - Tower for Users



Introduction

The erection, use and dismantling of mobile access towers is potentially extremely dangerous if the correct safe working procedures are not followed. This course is aimed at improving knowledge and enhancing ability to use mobile towers safely. This PASMA accredited course is assessed through theory and practical sessions and successful delegates will be awarded nationally recognised PASMA certification.



Course Duration

SSG offer this course over one day.



Who Should Attend

Any person required to erect, use, inspect or dismantle a portable access tower during the course of their work should attend this course.

Training Aids

Facilities will be provided for the practical element of the course. If held at the Client's site a facility checklist will be provided and the training area will need to be inspected by an SSG representative.



Course Programme

- Introduction
- Aims and Objectives
- Legal Overview – Health and Safety
- British and European Standards
- Guidance and Information
- Tower Components, Inspection and Maintenance
- Tower Assembly and Dismantle
- Tower Stability



- Hazards
- Your Responsibilities
- Written and Practical Assessment

Course content has been updated to include advanced guard rail systems (AGR).

Course Requirements for Delegates

It is essential that all delegates attending the training day are suitably equipped with Personal Protective Equipment to include Head Protection, Gloves, Protective Footwear and High Visibility Outdoor clothing as part of this course involves delegates erecting a tower scaffold.

Literacy, Fitness and Health Requirements (extract from PASMA Code of Practice)

Since the safe use of mobile access towers requires that delegates consult safety notices and read and thoroughly understand the manufacturer's instruction manual, literacy and language comprehension are important requirements for any tower use. Similarly, since the assembly and use of mobile access towers can be physically demanding, users should be physically fit and in good health and should, generally, not have problems with eyesight or hearing, heart disease, high blood pressure, epilepsy, fear of heights / vertigo, giddiness / difficulty with balance, impaired limb function, alcohol or drug dependence or psychiatric illness.

If delegates have any problems with literacy or language comprehension, or have any doubts about their fitness to use mobile access towers, they must bring them to the attention of their employer. This need not preclude them from using mobile access towers, provided their employer conducts an assessment and is able to put into place adequate measures, to take account of any difficulties they may have.



Certification and Assessment

Delegates will be assessed during the practical training session in their abilities to interpret the manufacturer's instructions and correctly erect and dismantle the tower.

Successful delegates will receive a competency certificate and an encapsulated PASMA Photo Card, which can be used by delegates to demonstrate their skills and knowledge when going 'on site'.

Certificates are valid for 5 years.



Suggested Follow on and Complementary Courses

- Working Safely at Heights
- CITB Site Supervision Safety Training Scheme