

Tower Scaffolding Inspection Guide

If tower scaffolding is selected as suitable equipment, it needs to be inspected by a competent person. The Tower should have a system of identifying when it was last inspected and a notification if it is not fit for use. For example, Brady's Towertag®.

The tower must be inspected:

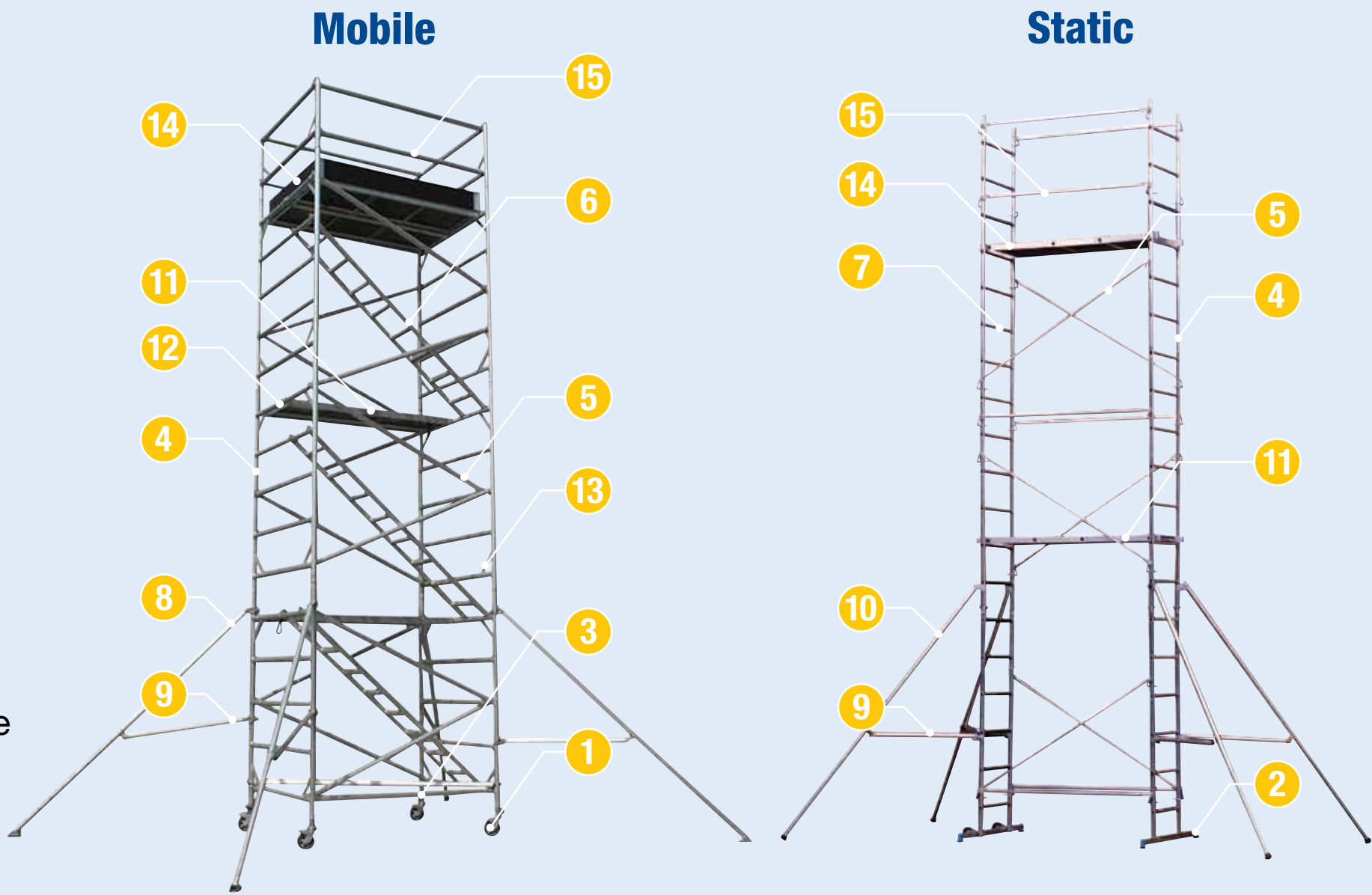
- Before it is put into use.
- At seven day intervals until it is dismantled.
- After bad or excessively wet weather, high winds or another event likely to have effected its strength or stability.
- After any substantial additions or other alterations.

A written report must be prepared by a competent person. The report should be written out at the time of the inspection but if this is not possible it must be provided to the responsible person within 24 hours. A copy of the report should be kept on site and a further copy be retained for a period of three months from the completion of the work with the person on whose behalf the inspection was carried out. If a tower fails inspection this must be reported by the person carrying out the inspection, to the person responsible for the tower, as soon as possible.



COMPONENTS:

- 1 Castor
- 2 Base Plate
- 3 Adjustable Leg
- 4 Vertical Frame
- 5 Bracing Member
- 6 Stairway
- 7 Stairladder or Vertical Ladder
- 8 Outrigger
- 9 Outrigger Brace
- 10 Stabiliser
- 11 Platform
- 12 Decking Component Anti-Lifting Device
- 13 Vertical Spigot and Socket Connection
- 14 Toeboards
- 15 Horizontal Member/Guardrail



Towertag® - How to use



Step 1

Attach the Towertag holder on the mobile tower with cable ties or using the flexible loop head on the Towertag holder. The empty Towertag holder will clearly display the prohibition symbol and 'Do Not Use Tower' notice.



Step 2

The **mobile tower is inspected** by a competent person. The towers build and location details are recorded on the Towertag insert. If the tower is considered fit for use, the Towertag insert is signed and dated and placed in the Towertag holder.



Step 3

If the tower is considered not fit for use or fails inspection at any point, remove the Towertag insert from the holder to instantly display 'Do Not Use Tower' and prohibition notice.

DO...

- ✓ **Examine all tower components** for damage or corrosion prior to use and check for any missing pieces of the complete set before assembling according to the manufacturers precise instructions.
- ✓ Move the tower manually at **ground level only**.
- ✓ Ensure that the ground level and overhead path is clear of obstructions when moving the tower. Extreme vigilance is advised when overhead power cables are present.
- ✓ Make precautions to avoid potential collision by persons or vehicles when selecting a position for the tower.

DON'T...

- ✗ Erect or use a tower in winds in excess of 17mph (Beaufort Scale Force 4).
- ✗ Move a tower without ensuring that all persons and materials have been removed from the structure first.
- ✗ Scale the tower or load the platforms with working materials until the structure has been fixed safely in position by securing outriggers/stabilisers and locking castors.
- ✗ Throw items down from the scaffold when dismantling a tower, lower them down by rope if necessary.

As the manufacturer, Brady recommends that in operation it is the responsibility of the scaffold user to ensure the equipment is showing 'Safe to Use' and is within the inspection dates. We reserve the right to alter without prior notice any specification of our products.