SAFETY FIRST

If you are collecting the equipment for someone else please make sure this sheet is given to the equipment user to read. This sheet should be given to the site supervisor if the equipment is being hired for commercial use so that the information is available to all users. Before starting any job, be sure to spend a few minutes planning and understanding the hazards and risks of the activity and determining how you will control them to prevent injury or damage.

**Required Safety Equipment**

- Head Protection
- Hand Protection
- Foot Protection
- Protective Clothing

**Hazards and Safety**

- Always take extreme caution when working with acrow props and falsework
- Always ensure you have good foundations and soil conditions
- Always use safe lifting practices to prevent back injuries and strains etc.
- Ensure good clear access to the site at all times
- Ensure proper erection and dismantling to prevent collapse of props or entire system
- Never overload, check the “Safe Working Load” (SWL) for the props you are using

**Safe Working Controls**

- All propping etc must be 100% plumb. Eyeing it up is not good enough.
- Toggle clips must always be snugged down
- Always use correct prop pins
- Always dismantle in the reverse order to assembly
- Always report loose frames and props and tape area off if considered dangerous
- Be aware of loose formwork
- Use correct lifting and hoisting methods
- Watch for tripping hazards etc around bracing
- Always use ladders for access – never climb the propping of falsework
- Never take short cuts

**IF IN DOUBT ASK**

- Check with your engineer and/or site foreman
- Near enough is not good enough