

Course Syllabus

Course Title	Towers on Stairs
Duration	1 Day course, lasting a minimum of 6 hours
Who will benefit from this course	Personnel whose work involves using towers on stairs
Learning Objectives	How to safely assemble, dismantle, alter, use and inspect without risk of personal injury to the delegate or others
Method	Instruction both in theory and practical sessions
Assessment	Closed book course with a pass mark of 80% in both theory and practical
Personal Protective Equipment	Suitable head / foot protection and gloves during the practical session <i>[other protection as per site requirements]</i>
Course content	Current Legislation, Regulations and Guidance affecting working at height with access towers, PASMA Code of Practice; Product Standards EN 1004:2004; BS 1139 Part 6, assembling, altering and dismantling towers incorporating current best practice for fall protection, inspection of completed access towers and completion of Tower Inspection Records; hazards affecting the use of towers on stairs.
Instructor delegate ratio	Maximum of 1:8
Venue requirement	A suitable classroom to accommodate 8 delegates for the theory session and an indoor / outdoor staircase for the practical session
Supporting Documents	A course content and notes booklet and a current Code of Practice booklet will be issued to all delegates who attend the course
Award	A PASMA Certificate and PhotoCard will be issued to successful delegates who complete the Theory and Assessment sessions at the level they attend the course which has a five year validity period
Literacy, Fitness & Health <i>(Extract from the PASMA Code of Practice)</i>	<p>Since the safe use of mobile towers requires that you consult safety notices and read and thoroughly understand the manufacturer's instruction manual, literacy and language comprehension are important requirements for any tower user. 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.</p> <p>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.</p>
Qualifications & Experience	You must hold a current PASMA "Towers for Users" PhotoCard and have a good working knowledge of working at height