

### Preston Folding Scaffold

The Preston Folding Scaffold (PFS) originated in Australia about 1987. It is a pre-assembled, steel scaffolding system composed of modular units that are folded down flat for transportation to the construction site on a flat-bed truck. At the construction site, each panel is unfolded to make a scaffold unit three stories high. Each unit has three non-slip steel work platforms, steel kick boards, handrails that can be installed on either the inside or outside, and a welded steel safety mesh on the outside. The expanded unit is raised by crane and set into position.

The PFS is easier and faster to erect than conventional scaffold since the system uses fewer parts. Expanded units may be moved from one setting to another with a crane, so resetting a portion of the scaffold is easily accomplished. Units may be employed as suspended scaffolding if desired. Essentially, any configuration of scaffolding may be built, so the system is versatile.

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