

Scaffolding is a temporary structure that is used primarily on [construction sites](#) and other work areas for a variety of purposes. Unfortunately, using scaffolding on a job site can quickly result in serious accidents and severe injuries. If you have been injured in a scaffolding accident, a North Carolina scaffold accident attorney can explain your options and whether you should pursue a [workers' compensation](#) claim.

Different Types of Scaffolding Accidents

Scaffolding presents numerous hazards to workers, and accidents that result in injuries can happen in different ways. The most common types of scaffolding injuries include the following:

- Injuries resulting from scaffolding collapses
- Workers injured when they fall from scaffolding
- Injuries caused by materials or tools falling from scaffolding

Scaffolding collapses are the most serious type of accident, often causing severe injuries to multiple workers at the same time. However, the injuries resulting from other types of scaffolding accidents can be just as serious and tend to be far more common.

Scaffolding Accidents Can Result in Serious Injuries

Workers who are injured in scaffolding accidents can suffer severe injuries that require extensive medical treatment and rehabilitation. Scaffolding accidents typically result in the following types of injuries:

- [Bone fractures](#)
- [Head and brain injuries, including concussions](#)
- [Neck injuries](#)
- [Back and spinal cord injuries](#)
- Internal organ damage

If you have been injured in a scaffolding accident, you may be facing considerable medical expenses and unable to work. Fortunately, you do have rights if you were injured while on the job. A North Carolina scaffold accident attorney can explain your options and help you find a way forward.

Workers' Comp Can Pay Your Medical Expenses and Lost Income

Regardless of the cause or severity of your injury, if you were injured while on the job and cannot work due to a scaffolding accident, you may be entitled to workers' compensation benefits. There are two types of benefits that workers' comp can provide:

1. [Medical benefits](#) that will cover all medical expenses arising from your accident including both your current and future medical expenses and
2. [Disability benefits](#) that will cover up to two-thirds of your average weekly income so long as you are unable to work full-time in your role before your injury.

Unfortunately, these benefits will not be paid to you automatically. You will need to first notify your employer in writing no later than 30 days after your accident. You will then need to file the appropriate paperwork with the North Carolina Industrial Commission. The Commission will review your claim and decide whether or not to approve the payment of benefits. If you have already filed your claim and it has been denied, you need to take immediate action to appeal the decision.

A North Carolina scaffold accident attorney can help you navigate the workers' compensation claim process, from filing the initial claim to appealing a denial of benefits.

Talk to a North Carolina Scaffold Accident Attorney Today

At Martin & Jones, we work hard to help injured workers get the compensation they need to put their accidents behind them. To schedule a free consultation, [contact us](#) today at 800-662-1234 to discuss your rights and your options.