

**STANDARD FORM FOR RELEASE OF FLOOR, STAIRS, ROOF,
OR OTHER AREA**

_____ (enter steel erector name) hereafter **Steel Erector** will install and maintain all safety protective devices as necessary to protect its employees from hazards associated with steel erection. The AISC code of standard practice guidelines (7.2) will be followed as well as OSHA Standards including Subpart **R** and **M** as they relate to steel erection.

Steel Erector will provide a means of safe access for its employees. These devices shall be used by Steel Erector employees only, and their use by any other contractor, sub-contractor or their employees is prohibited.

In accordance with 29 CFR 1926.16 (c) the subcontractor (Steel Erector) only assumes responsibility for its own portion of the work in regards to its own employees= safety. The prime contractor, who assumes the entire responsibility for work under the entire contract, must instruct each other subcontractor to provide equipment, training and supervision for the safety of their own employees.

Safety devices including guardrails, covers, and horizontal lifelines that are installed for the protection of those involved in steel erection may or may not meet the standards required for use by employees of other contractors. Steel Erector will not assume responsibility for any claims arising from the use of those devices by other contractors or their employees. Under current OSHA standards, guardrails may not be used for personal fall arrest unless they have been designed, rated, and tested for use as a horizontal lifeline.(1926.502(d)(23) in part). Also under current OSHA standards (29CFR760 (e)) for steel erectors, no safety system may be left in place unless the General Contractor has: a) directed the steel erector to leave the safety protection in place, and (b) has inspected and accepted control and responsibility of the safety system prior to authorizing persons other than steel erectors to work in the area or use the safety protection. Execution of this agreement constitutes such a directive and an agreement by the general contractor to inspect and accept control and full responsibility for the safety systems in the noted Area(s) below.

No employee shall enter or work in any part of the job including stairways that has not been released by Steel Erector in writing. Prior to release of any floor/stairway/roof/other area (hereafter **Area**) by Steel Erector, the prime contractor must inspect all safety devices in the Area and agree to accept responsibility for the condition, maintenance and proper use of such devices by their employees and employees of other subcontractors, by signing this form.

Steel Erector may install additional safety devices (including, but not limited to, guardrails, lifelines, temporary covers, ladders, scaffolds, temporary work platforms, or any anchorage designated as permissible for use as part of an overall personal fall arrest system) hereafter **Devices**, upon direction by the prime contractor. And, upon such direction the prime contractor agrees to indemnify Steel Erector from liability for any injuries or accidents incurred through the use of the Devices. An additional cost shall be agreed upon prior to installation of safety Devices. Steel Erector will not accept responsibility for maintenance after installation nor will it accept any other liability for the safety Devices installed once the prime contractor has accepted the Area.

The Area, (floor, roof, or stairway or other part of the job), described below has been released by Steel Erector for use by the General/Prime Contractor. By signature below, this Area and any Devices remaining therein, has been accepted according to the terms and conditions described above.

Describe Area (such as All of floor 3rd, or An.e. stairwell, or partial floor description such as floor 3 column line 1 to 5 and beam line A to K, etc.:	
Date _____	Job Name _____
Level _____	Bounded by Gridlines _____
Description of Area: _____	

General/Prime Contractor: _____ (enter company name)

By: *(Authorized Representative)* _____ Title _____

Steel Erector:
By: _____