

Garage Door Unlocking Risk Assessment

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| Business Name: | | ABN: |
| Business Address: | | |
| Contact Person: | Phone: | Email: |

THIS RISK ASSESSMENT IS APPROVED BY THE PCBU ON THE PROJECT

Under the Work Health and Safety Regulation (WHS Regulation), a person conducting a business or undertaking (PCBU) is required to ensure that a RISK ASSESSMENT is prepared before the proposed work starts.

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| Full Name: | | |
| Signature: | Title: | Date: |

CLIENT OR PRINCIPAL CONTRACTOR DETAILS

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| Client: | SCOPE OF WORKS |
| Project Name: | |
| Project Address: | |
| Project Manager: | |
| Contact Phone: | |
| Date Risk Assessment supplied to Project Manager: | |

| RISK MATRIX | | | | | | | | | |
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| LIKELIHOOD | INSIGNIFICANT | MINOR | MODERATE | MAJOR | CATASTROPHIC | SCORE | ACTION | HIERARCHY OF CONTROLS | |
| ALMOST CERTAIN | 3 HIGH | 3 HIGH | 4 ACUTE | 4 ACUTE | 4 ACUTE | 4A ACUTE | DO NOT PROCEED | Elimination Remove the hazard. | |
| LIKELY | 2 MODERATE | 3 HIGH | 3 HIGH | 4 ACUTE | 4 ACUTE | | | Substitution Replace the hazard. | |
| POSSIBLE | 1 LOW | 2 MODERATE | 3 HIGH | 4 ACUTE | 4 ACUTE | | | Isolation Isolate People from the hazard | |
| UNLIKELY | 1 LOW | 1 LOW | 2 MODERATE | 3 HIGH | 4 ACUTE | | | Engineering Isolate the hazard | |
| RARE | 1 LOW | 1 LOW | 2 MODERATE | 3 HIGH | 3 HIGH | | | Administrative Change | |
| | | | | | | 1L LOW | Monitor and keep records. | PPE | |
| Risk Rating & Required Action: | | | | | | | | Notes on Hierarchy of Controls: | |
| 4A | | Stop work. The risk is intolerable. Eliminate the hazard or redesign the activity before proceeding. A Safe Work Method Statement (SWMS) or higher-level authorisation is required. | | | | | | Remember to apply controls in the preferred order shown by the coloured pyramid: | |
| 3H | | Review and approve additional controls before task starts. Senior supervisor sign-off needed. | | | | | | 1. Eliminate | |
| 2M | | Ensure all nominated controls are in place and effective. Proceed with caution; monitor conditions. | | | | | | 2. Substitute | |
| 1L | | Proceed, following standard operating procedures. Monitor and keep records. | | | | | | 3. Isolate | |
| Consequence Scale: | | | | | | | | 4. Engineering | |
| Consequence | | People (injury/illness) | | Project / Assets | | Compliance / Reputation | | 5. Administrative | |
| Catastrophic | | Fatality or permanent total disability | | project shutdown | | Significant regulator intervention; criminal prosecution | | 6. PPE | |
| Major | | Serious injury/illness (hospital > 5 days) | | critical delay | | Improvement notice; major media coverage | | Always document why a lower-order control is accepted if elimination or substitution is not reasonably practicable. | |
| Moderate | | Medical-treatment injury; lost-time > 1 day | | moderate delay | | Minor breach; adverse client comment | | aligned with Safe Work Australia's Managing the risk of fatigue at work (2023) and ISO 45001:2018 clauses 6–8. | |
| Minor | | First-aid only, no lost time | | negligible delay | | Isolated non-conformance | | | |
| Insignificant | | No injury | | no schedule impact | | Deviation caught and corrected on site | | | |

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| SPECIFIC WORK STEPS | HAZARDS THAT MAY ARISE | INITIAL RISK | SPECIFIC MEASURES TO BE PUT IN PLACE TO ELIMINATE OR CONTROL THE RISKS | RESIDUAL RISK |
| 1. Preparation | Manual handling injuries, Environmental obstacles | 3H | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conduct a manual handling training session before starting. - Clear the work area of environmental obstacles. - Ensure proper lighting in the work area to identify potential hazards. - Use mechanical aids for moving heavy equipment. - Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE). - Ensure communication devices are readily available. - Check weather conditions to anticipate environmental obstacles. - Define clear pathways for movement. - Plan for rest breaks to avoid fatigue. - Verify that all team members understand safety protocols. | 2M |
| 2. Tool Selection | Selecting inappropriate tools, Using faulty tools | 3H | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inspect all tools for any damage before use. - Use tools that are specifically designed for the task. - Ensure staff are trained in the correct use of tools. - Maintain an inventory of approved tools for the task. - Replace damaged or worn tools immediately. - Keep tools sharp and well-maintained to minimise operational risk. - Store tools securely when not in use. - Ensure all tools are tagged and tested regularly. - Use personal protective equipment while using tools. - Provide guidance on the correct tool selection for the equipment. | 2M |
| 3. Risk Assessment | Overlooking potential hazards, Inadequate risk evaluation | 3H | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conduct a comprehensive risk assessment by a qualified professional. - Use a checklist to ensure all hazards are documented. - Regularly review risk assessments to account for changes in the workplace. - Encourage team input during the assessment process. - Document all findings in a centralised risk registry. - Provide training on recognising potential hazards. - Ensure adherence to the Safe Work Australia Code of Practice. - Update risk assessment tools regularly. | 1L |

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| | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cross-check with previous assessments for consistency. - Schedule reassessments following any workplace changes. | |
| 4. System Inspection | Electrical hazards, Component failures | 3H | <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> | 2M |
| 5. Team Briefing | Miscommunication Lack of awareness | 3H | <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> | 1L |
| 6. Area Preparation | Slip and trip hazards, Unsecured objects | 3H | <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> | 2M |

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| 7. Door Unlocked | Door malfunction, Unexpected movement | 3H | | 2M |
| 8. Operational Check | Inaccurate inspection, overlooking faults | 3H | | 2M |
| 9. Load Test | Excess weight, System overload | 4A | | 3H |

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| 10. Finalisation | Improper documentation, Unassessed risks | 3H | | 1L |
| 11. Equipment Storage | Trip hazards, Damage to equipment | 3H | | 2M |
| 12. Reporting | Inaccurate reporting, Delayed reporting | 3H | | 1L |

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| 13. Equipment Maintenance | Unexpected breakdowns, Neglect of minor faults | 3 | | 2M |
| 14. Incident Response | Ineffective response, Unclear procedures | 4A | | 3H |

Failure to update

3H

SAMPLE

EMERGENCY RESPONSE – CALL 000 FOR EMERGENCIES

Ensure to have an Emergency Management Plan in place as well as adequate numbers of trained first aid staff with easy access to fully stocked first aid kits, rescue equipment, material safety data sheets, adequate access to emergency communication equipment and fire-fighting equipment suitable for all classes of fire and ignition sources.

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCES

RELEVANT LEGISLATION AND CODES OF PRACTICE. DELETE THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCES IF ANY STATE THAT ARE NOT APPLICABLE

Queensland & Australian Capital Territory

Work Health and Safety Act 2011

Work Health and Safety Regulations 2011

Legislation QLD: <https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/work-health-and-safety-laws>

Codes of Practice QLD: <https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice>

Legislation ACT: <https://www.worksafe.act.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/acts-and-regulations>

Codes of Practice ACT: <https://www.worksafe.act.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice>

Victoria

Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004

Occupational Health and Safety Regulations 2017

Legislation VIC: <https://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/occupational-health-and-safety-act-and-regulations>

Codes of Practice VIC: <https://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/compliance-codes-and-codes-practice>

New South Wales

Work Health and Safety Act 2011

Work Health and Safety Regulations 2017

Legislation NSW: <https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/legal-obligations/legislation>

Codes of Practice NSW: <https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/resource-library/list-codes-of-practice>

Western Australia

Work Health and Safety Act 2020

Work Health and Safety Regulations 2022

Legislation Western Australia: <https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/worksafe/legislation>

Codes of Practice WA: <https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/worksafe/codes-practice>

Northern Territory

Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011

Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Regulations 2011

Legislation NT: <https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/workplace-safety-laws>

Codes of Practice NT: <https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice>

Safe Work Australia Links

Law and Regulation (All States): <https://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/law-and-regulation>

Model Codes of Practice: <https://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/resources-publications/model-codes-of-practice>

Model Codes of Practice

- Managing noise and preventing hearing loss at work
- Confined spaces
- Labelling of workplace hazardous chemicals
- Managing risks of hazardous chemicals in the workplace
- Welding processes
- First aid in the workplace
- Managing the risk of falls at workplaces
- Hazardous manual tasks
- Managing the risk of falls in housing construction
- Managing electrical risks in the workplace
- Demolition work
- Excavation work
- Work health and safety consultation, cooperation and coordination
- Managing the work environment and facilities
- How to manage work health and safety risks
- Managing risks of plant in the workplace
- Construction work

South Australia

Work Health and Safety Act 2012 (SA)

Work Health and Safety Regulations 2012 (SA)

Legislation for SA: <https://www.safework.sa.gov.au/resources/legislation>

Codes of Practice for SA: <https://www.safework.sa.gov.au/workplaces/codes-of-practice#COPs>

Tasmania

Work Health and Safety Act 2012

Work Health and Safety (Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Act 2012

Work Health and Safety Regulations 2012

Work Health and Safety (Transitional) Regulations 2012

Legislation for TAS: <https://worksafe.tas.gov.au/topics/laws-and-compliance/acts-and-regulations>

Codes of Practice for TAS: <https://worksafe.tas.gov.au/topics/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice>

Details of permits, licenses or access required by regulatory bodies (add or delete as required):

- Permits from local council
- Authorisation to commence work
- Any required documents.