

**Screeener Crusher**

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

**THIS RISK ASSESSMENT IS APPROVED BY THE PCBU ON THIS 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.

Full Name:		
Signature:	Title:	Date:

**CLIENT OR PRINCIPAL CONTRACTOR DETAILS**

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



RISK MATRIX									
LIKELIHOOD	INSIGNIFICANT	MINOR	MODERATE	MAJOR	CATASTROPHIC	SCORE	ACTION	HIERARCHY OF CONTROLS	
ALMOST CERTAIN	3 HIGH	3 HIGH	4 ACUTE	4 ACUTE	4 ACUTE			<b>Elimination</b> Remove the hazard.	
LIKELY	2 MODERATE	3 HIGH	3 HIGH	4 ACUTE	4 ACUTE	4A ACUTE	DO NOT PROCEED	<b>Substitution</b> Replace the hazard.	
POSSIBLE	1 LOW	2 MODERATE	3 HIGH	4 ACUTE	4 ACUTE	3H HIGH	Review before work starts.	Isolation Isolate People from the hazard	
UNLIKELY	1 LOW	1 LOW	2 MODERATE	3 HIGH	4 ACUTE	2M MODERATE	Ensure control measures in place.	<b>Engineering</b> Isolate the hazard	
RARE	1 LOW	1 LOW	2 MODERATE	3 HIGH	3 HIGH	1L LOW	Monitor and keep records.	<b>Administrative</b> Change	
								<b>PPE</b>	

  

Risk Rating & Required Action:	
<b>4A</b>	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.
<b>3H</b>	Review and approve additional controls before task starts. Senior supervisor sign-off needed.
<b>2M</b>	Ensure all nominated controls are in place and effective. Proceed with caution; monitor conditions.
<b>1L</b>	Proceed, following standard operating procedures. Monitor and keep records.

  

Consequence Scale:			
Consequence	People (injury/illness)	Project / Assets	Compliance / Reputation
<b>Catastrophic</b>	Fatality or permanent total disability	project shutdown	Significant regulator intervention; criminal prosecution
<b>Major</b>	Serious injury/illness (hospital > 5 days)	critical delay	Improvement notice; major media coverage
<b>Moderate</b>	Medical-treatment injury; lost-time > 1 day	moderate delay	Minor breach; adverse client comment
<b>Minor</b>	First-aid only, no lost time	negligible delay	Isolated non-conformance
<b>Insignificant</b>	No injury	no schedule impact	Deviation caught and corrected on site

  

**Notes on Hierarchy of Controls:**  
Remember to apply controls in the preferred order shown by the coloured pyramid:

1. **Eliminate**
2. **Substitute**
3. **Isolate**
4. **Engineering**
5. **Administrative**
6. **PPE**

Always document **why** a lower-order control is accepted if elimination or substitution is not reasonably practicable.

*aligned with Safe Work Australia's Managing the risk of fatigue at work (2023) and ISO 45001:2018 clauses 6–8.*

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1. Procurement, Design and Suitability of Screener Crusher Plant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plant selected that is not fit for purpose for the specific materials, terrain, throughput or work environment</li> <li>Non-compliance with WHS Act 2011, WHS Regulations 2011 (Plant) and relevant Australian Standards (e.g. AS 4024 series) at point of purchase or hire</li> <li>Inadequate guarding, emergency stops, isolation points and access systems as supplied by manufacturer</li> <li>Insufficient documentation from supplier (operator manuals, maintenance manuals, risk assessments, conformity statements)</li> <li>Failure to consider whole-of-life costs and risks (maintenance access, parts availability, noise, dust, vibration)</li> <li>Lack of engineering controls for dust, noise and vibration built into the plant design</li> <li>Not specifying required safety features (e.g. interlocked guards, reliable isolation, fail-safe controls, fire suppression, cameras/proximity detection, auto-stop systems)</li> <li>Incompatibility between the screener crusher and other mobile plant (feeders, loaders, excavators, trucks), leading to systemic collision and interaction risks</li> </ul>	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Establish a formal plant procurement procedure that requires WHS review and sign-off before purchase or hire of any screener crusher or mobile screening plant</li> <li>Specify compliance with WHS Act 2011, WHS Regulations 2011 (particularly plant and high risk work provisions) and relevant Australian Standards (AS 4024 series for safety of machinery, AS 1755 for conveyors, AS/NZS 3000 for electrical installations, etc.) in purchase and hire contracts</li> <li>Require documents from a competent person verification that the screener crusher design incorporates appropriate guarding, emergency stop devices, isolation points, safe access systems, and stability controls</li> <li>Require that suppliers provide full technical documentation including operator and maintenance manuals, manufacturer risk assessment, load charts, schematics, and safe operating parameters before the plant is commissioned</li> <li>Include WHS performance, availability of spares, and local service support as key selection criteria in procurement decisions</li> <li>Ensure the plants ordered with engineered dust suppression (misting, sprays, shrouds), acoustic treatment and vibration controls where reasonably practicable</li> <li>Specify that critical safety systems (guard interlocks, emergency stops, proximity sensors, CCTV, auto shutdowns) are fail-safe, tested, and tamper-resistant</li> <li>Undertake a pre-acceptance inspection and commissioning checklist using a competent plant specialist before allowing operational use</li> <li>Verify compatibility of the screener crusher with existing site mobile plant (clearances, feed heights, discharge points, interaction zones) via a documented interface risk assessment</li> </ul>	Medium
2. Site Planning, Layout and Traffic Management for Mobile Screening Operations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Poor site layout causing vehicle-plant interactions and collision risks between the screener crusher, loaders, excavators and trucks</li> <li>Uncontrolled pedestrian access around the mobile screening plant and material stockpiles</li> <li>Inadequate separation between operating plant, stockpiles, overhead services and fixed structures leading to crush, strike or entrapment risks</li> <li>Poor ground conditions and instability (soft fill, steep batters, washouts)</li> </ul>	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop and maintain a site-specific traffic management plan that clearly defines haul routes, plant operating zones, one-way systems, speed limits and exclusion zones around the screener crusher</li> <li>Implement formal pedestrian-plant separation controls such as physical barriers, bunds, dedicated walkways, and clearly marked no-go zones around the screening plant</li> <li>Undertake a documented site layout risk assessment prior to mobilising the screener crusher, including stockpile positions, tipping points, and interaction with existing plant and services</li> <li>Require geotechnical or competent person assessment of ground conditions and load-bearing capacity at proposed screener crusher locations, including controls for slope limits and benching</li> <li>Implement controlled access points with signage, traffic control devices and, where necessary, spotters or traffic controllers for complex interfaces</li> </ul>	Medium

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>affecting plant stability and risk of tip-over</li> <li>Inadequate planning for dust, noise and vibration propagation to neighbours, public areas or workers on adjacent tasks</li> <li>Restricted visibility and blind spots around the mobile screening plant and feed areas</li> <li>Ineffective emergency access and egress routes due to congested plant location and stockpile placement</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Install site signage indicating plant operating areas, reversing zones, speed limits, hearing and respiratory protection zones, and emergency assembly points</li> <li>Use engineered controls (e.g. berms, hard stops, wheel stops) to prevent vehicles tipping material too close to edges or into voids near the screener crusher</li> <li>Plan stockpile height, footprint and location to maintain plant stability, safe access, and prevent engulfment or collapse risks for workers and equipment</li> <li>Incorporate dust and noise impact assessments into site planning and include buffers, enclosures, scheduling controls and community notification where required</li> <li>Ensure emergency vehicle access and egress is maintained at all times around the screening area and reflected in the site emergency management plan</li> </ul>	
3. Management of Plant Registration, Documentation and Legal Compliance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Operating mobile screening plant without verifying compliance with regulatory requirements under the WHS Act 2011 and WHS Regulations 2011</li> <li>Lack of current plant registration (where required) or failure to notify the regulator for prescribed plant and installations</li> <li>Inadequate retention and control of plant documentation (service records, inspection reports, modifications, incidents)</li> <li>Failure to identify and manage obligations related to plant used across multiple sites and jurisdictions</li> <li>Non-compliance with licence and competency requirements for operators, maintainers and supervisors</li> <li>No clear system for monitoring changes in legislation, standards or codes of practice relevant to screener crushers</li> </ul>	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Establish a centralised plant register that records all screener crushers and mobile screening units, including serial numbers, compliance status, registration details and location</li> <li>Assign a competent person or role (e.g. Plant Coordinator) responsible for verifying and maintaining compliance with WHS Regulations relating to plant registration, inspection and high risk work licensing</li> <li>Maintain a controlled document management system for plant-related records, including inspection reports, maintenance history, modifications, incident investigations and risk assessments</li> <li>Implement a compliance calendar or system to trigger periodic reviews of licences, registrations, inspections and regulatory notifications for the screening plant</li> <li>Verify that all operators and relevant workers hold the licences, VOCs (Verification of Competency) and training mandated by legislation, standards, site rules and client requirements</li> <li>Undertake periodic legal and standards reviews (at least annually or when changes are announced) to ensure continued compliance, with outcomes communicated to management and integrated into WHS procedures</li> <li>Include plant compliance and documentation review as a standard component of internal WHS audits and management system reviews</li> <li>Verify that hire agreements and contractor supply contracts include clear responsibilities for registration, inspection certification and legal compliance of the screener crusher</li> </ul>	Low
4. Governance, Roles, Consultation and WHS Responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unclear allocation of WHS responsibilities for the screener crusher between the PCBU, principal contractor, hire company and subcontractors</li> <li>Insufficient consultation with workers and health and safety representatives about plant risks and control measures</li> </ul>	High	<p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p>	Medium

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Supervisors and managers lacking knowledge of their due diligence duties under the WHS Act 2011 in relation to plant</li> <li>Decision-making on production targets overriding WHS risk controls for screening operations</li> <li>Inadequate integration of screener crusher risks into broader site WHS management systems and contractor management processes</li> </ul>		[REDACTED]	
5. Competency, Training and Supervision for Screening Plant Operations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Operators, spotters and supervisors lacking adequate training, experience verification of competency for the specific screener crusher model</li> <li>Overreliance on informal or on-the-job training without structured assessment of competency</li> <li>Supervisors not understanding plant operating limits, control systems or emergency procedures</li> <li>Contractor personnel using the screener crusher without having been inducted into site-specific procedures and interaction risks</li> <li>Failure to provide refresher training leading to skill fade or unsafe shortcuts becoming normalised</li> </ul>	High	[REDACTED]	Medium
6. Safe Systems of Work, Procedures and Permits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Absence of formal procedures governing the setup, relocation,</li> </ul>	High	[REDACTED]	Medium

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	<p>operation and shutdown of the mobile screening plant</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inconsistent lockout/tagout and isolation practices during cleaning, inspections, blockages and maintenance</li> <li>• Uncontrolled work in and around the crusher and screens during high-risk activities such as clearing blockages or changing media</li> <li>• Lack of defined exclusion zones, communication protocols and two-way radio procedures for operators and support plant</li> <li>• No permit or authorisation process for non-routine, high-risk tasks (e.g. confined access under hoppers, working at heights on the plant, hot work near combustible dust)</li> </ul>		<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>	
7. Maintenance, Inspection and Engineering Change Control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lack of structured preventive maintenance leading to mechanical failure, unplanned downtime or catastrophic failure of critical components</li> <li>• Missed or inadequate preventive and periodic inspections allowing defects to accumulate (guards, emergency stops, isolation devices, structural items)</li> <li>• Maintenance activities carried out without adequate isolation, guarding or access provisions, exposing workers to entanglement, crush or fall hazards</li> <li>• Unauthorised modifications, repairs or bypassing of safety systems (e.g. interlocks, guards, monitoring systems)</li> <li>• Failure to manage parts quality and compatibility, including use of non-</li> </ul>	High	<p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p>	Medium

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	<p>genuine or incorrect components affecting plant safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inadequate maintenance facilities or tooling for safe servicing of mobile screening plant</li> </ul>		[REDACTED]	
8. Contractor and Hire Plant Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inadequate vetting of contractors who supply and operate screener crushers on site</li> <li>Unclear division of responsibility between the PCBU and hire company for maintenance, inspections, repairs and safety systems</li> <li>Contractor crews operating under their own procedures that do not align with site WHS standards</li> <li>Hire plant arriving on site with undocumented modifications, missing guards or incomplete maintenance history</li> <li>Poor communication and integration between contractor operations and site traffic management and emergency systems</li> </ul>	High	[REDACTED]	Medium
9. Environmental, Health and Exposure Controls (Noise, Dust, Vibration and Ergonomics)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Excessive noise levels from the screener crusher and associated plant leading to hearing loss and non-compliance with exposure standards</li> <li>Respirable crystalline silica and other hazardous dusts generated during crushing and screening activities</li> </ul>	High	[REDACTED]	Medium

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Whole-body vibration for plant operators and hand–arm vibration from handheld tools used during maintenance or clearing</li> <li>• Ergonomic strain from poor access, manual handling of screen media, wear parts and hoses</li> <li>• Environmental nuisance or regulatory breaches due to dust, noise or contaminated runoff impacting neighbouring areas or waterways</li> </ul>		[REDACTED]	
10. Monitoring, Incident Management and Continuous Improvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Failure to detect deteriorating safety performance in screener crusher operations due to lack of monitoring and review</li> <li>• Under-reporting or poor investigation of near misses, defects and incidents involving mobile screening</li> <li>• No systematic process to update risk controls following incidents, legislative changes or new technology</li> <li>• Reliance on informal observations rather than structured audits and inspections to verify control effectiveness</li> </ul>	Medium	[REDACTED]	Low

**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 FOR 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 2025  
 Legislation NSW: <https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/legal-obligations/legislation>  
 Codes of Practice NSW: <https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/resource-library/list-of-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) Regulation 2011  
 Legislation NT: <https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/workplace-safety-laws>  
 Codes of Practice NT: <https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/factsheets-and-resources/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>

**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>

**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

**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.