



Builders Clean and Construction	on Cleaning SAFE WORK	METHOD STATEMENT (SWI	MS)
TASK OR ACTI	VITY: Builders Clean and Constr	uction Cleaning	
Business Name:		ABN:	SWMS#
Business Address:			
Contact Person:	Phone:	E ail:	
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THIS SAFE WORK METHOD	STATEMENT IS APPROVED BY	THE PCL OF THE ROJECT	
Under the Work Health and Safety Regulation (WHS Regulation), a person conduct the proposed work starts.	cting a business or undo	required to en. sthat a safe work method s	statement (SWMS) is prepared before
Full Name:			
Signature:		Title:	Date:
Details of the person(s) responsible for ensuring implementation, monitoring .	poliance the VMS a vell as review	s and modifications of the SWMS.	
Full Name:		Title:	Phone:
ALL PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING IN ANY ACTIVITY ON THIS S /MS M HAVE THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATED	NA. 2 OF ALL RELEVANT PERSONN EVELOPMENT AND APPROVAL OF	EL WHO HAVE BEEN CONSULTED AND C THIS SWMS	OMMUNICATED TO IN THE
Safety meetings or toolbox talks will be scheded in accomply with gislative requirements to first identify any site hazards, and then to further take steps to either eliminate or continuous each hazard.			
If an incident or a near miss occurs, all work must sto, quately. Depending on the severity of the incident, a meeting will be called with all workers to amend the SWMS if required. The meeting may also be an educational opportunity.			
Any changes made to the SWMS after an incident or a near miss must be approved by the Person Conducting Business or Undertaking and communicated to all relevant personnel.			
The SWMS must be kept and be available for inspection at least until the work is completed. Where a SWMS is revised, all versions should be kept. If a notifiable incident occurs in relation to which the SWMS relates, then the SWMS must be kept for at least two years from the occurrence of the notifiable incident.			

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CLIENT OR PRINCIPAL	CONTRACTOR DETAILS
Client:	SCOPE OF WORKS
Project Name:	
Project Address:	
Project Manager:	
Contact Phone:	
Date SWMS supplied to Project Manager:	
ANY HIGH-RISK CONSTRUCTOR	ON WO K BEIN O KRIED OUT
☐ involves a risk of a person falling more than 2 meters	☐ is carried out on or near pressurised gas mains or piping
☐ is carried out on a telecommunication tower	carried out on or near chemical, fuel or refrigerant lines
☐ involves demolition of an element of a structure that is load-bearing	☐ is carried out on or near energised electrical installations or services
☐ involves demolition of an element related to the physical integration of a ructure	☐ is carried out in an area that may have a contaminated or flammable atmosphere
☐ involves, or is likely to involve, disturbing asb	☐ involves tilt-up or precast concrete
☐ involves structural alteration or repair that — quires term — ov sup — rt to prevent collapse	☐ is carried out on, in or adjacent to a road, railway, shipping lane or other traffic corridor
is carried out in or near a confined space	☐ is carried out in an area of a workplace where there is any movement of powered mobile plant
☐ is carried out in/near a shaft or trench deeper tha tunnel involving use of explosives	☐ is carried out in areas with artificial extremes of temperature.
☐ is carried out in or near water or other liquid that involves a risk of drowning.	☐ involves diving work.
ANY HIGH-RISK MACHINER	RY OR EQUIPMENT NEARBY

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RISK MATRIX										
LIKELIHOOD	INSIGNIFICANT	MINOR	MODERATE	MAJOR	CATASTROPHIC	SCOBE	ACTION		HEIRARCHY OF CONTROLS	
ALMOST CERTAIN	3 HIGH	3 HIGH	4 ACUTE	4 ACUTE	4 ACUTE	SCORE ACTION -	SCORE		Elimination Remove the hazard.	
LIKELY	2 MODERATE	3 HIGH	3 HIGH	4 ACUTE	4 ACUTE	4A ACUTE	DO NOT PROCE		Substitution	
POSSIBLE	1 LOW	2 MODERATE	3 HIGH	4 ACUTE	4 ACUTE	3H HIGH	Review befor work starts.		Replace the hazard.	
UNLIKELY	1 LOW	1 LOW	2 MODERATE	3 HIGH	4 ACUTE	2M MODERATE	Ensure control measures in place.		Isolate People from the hazard	
RARE	1 LOW	1 LOW	2 MODERATE	3 HIGH	3 HIGH	1L LOW	nitor and		Engineering Isolate the hazard.	
is the second m	rchy of Controls: ost effective metho nging the work is th	d of controlling a	hazard. Enginee	ring by isolati		et. 'ive, while	rd. Substitution Administrative effective		Administrative Change the work. PPE	

				PERS		TIVE EQUIPM					
		Select the app	ropriate PPL	abo. ~uitab	le or the equip	oment used or	the job task	being perform	ned (if applica	able).	
FOOT PROTECTION	HAND PROTECTION	HEAD PROTECTION	ARING STION	F' CTIO	RL PIRATORY PROTECTION	FACE PROTECTION	HIGH-VIS CLOTHING	PROTECTIVE CLOTHING	FALL PROTECTION	SUN PROTECTION	HAIR/JEWELLERY SECURED
Other PPE R	dequired:										
	Pe	ermit or Licen	ses Requirem	ents		Mandatory Qualifications and Training					



JOB STEP	POTENTIAL HAZARDS	IR	CONTROL MEASURES	RR
SPECIFIC WORK STEPS	HAZARDS THAT MAY ARISE	INITIAL RISK	SPECIFIC MEASURES TO BE PUT IN PLACE TO ELIMINATE OR CONTROL THE RISKS	RESIDUAL RISK
Pre-start planning and induction	Unfamiliar site conditions Unauthorised site access Inadequate emergency preparedness Unclear client expectations Communication failure	3H	 Obtain and review principal contractor WH management plan, site rules and traffic management plan before work commences Attend site-specific induction and toolbox talk and cord attendance for all workers and subcontractors Confirm scope of cleaning and rks with client or subsupervisor including areas excluded from access and any live work zones Identify high risk and sign was areas such as we king at heights, powered mobile plant zones and energised elections work an exclusive cleaning from those zones until made safe Verify emerging to proced as, assertive ands, first aid locations and name/contact of site supervisor and fire aider Estatism formulation method with site supervisor (e.g. two-way radio, mobile) and confirm check-in times in the or isolated workers Schedie classing talk to avoid overlap with demolition, grinding, cutting, hot work or crane operations hereve lease by practicable Coulting It workers hold relevant competency or training for use of cleaning chemicals, pressure leaners of any elevating work platform (EWP) or scrubber Coulting It workers hold relevant competency or training for use of cleaning chemicals, pressure leaners of any elevating work platform (EWP) or scrubber Coulting It workers hold relevant competency or training for use of cleaning chemicals, pressure leaners of any elevating work platform (EWP) or scrubber Coulting It workers hold relevant competency or training for use of cleaning chemicals, pressure leaners of any elevating work platform (EWP) or scrubber Coulting It workers hold relevant competency or training for use of cleaning chemicals, pressure leaners of any elevating work platform (EWP) or scrubber Coulting It workers hold relevant competency or training for use of cleaning chemicals, pressure leaners of cleaning the principal contractor or site supervisor 	2M
Site access and housekeeping	Slip trip and fall hazards Unsecured debris and offcuts Poor lighting Unprotected penetrations Unstable stacked materials	3Н	 Walk the work area with the site supervisor and identify slip, trip and fall hazards, including loose offcuts, cables, hoses and uneven surfaces Barricade or cover floor penetrations and service holes using materials compliant with AS/NZS 1576 or site standards and clearly label them Request rectification by the principal contractor for major housekeeping issues outside the cleaning scope, such as large rubble piles or unstable scaffolds Improve lighting by switching on site lighting or installing portable 240V or battery task lights with IPrated fittings and tested and tagged leads Maintain clear access paths at least 600 mm wide to exits, stairs and amenities and keep them free of tools, bins and hoses Stack rubbish and recyclable materials in designated skip bins, ensuring loads do not exceed bin height or SWL and are not leaning on temporary fencing Secure loose mats, dust sheets and cables using tape or cable covers in pedestrian routes 	2M



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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 DO NOT walk or place loads on temporary coverings that are not rated as walkable (e.g. flimsy ply, decorative protection board) Report and tag out any damaged stairs, handrail creads and prevent use until repaired Wear slip-resistant safety footwear compliance with AS 2210 appropriate to wet or dusty surfaces	RESIDUAL RISK
Chemical selection and handling	Hazardous chemical exposure Incompatible chemical mixing Chemical splashes Fume inhalation Skin and eye irritation	ЗН	 Select the least hazardous effective cleaning not a ror the task and avoid use of highly corrosive or sensitising agents where safer alternatives exis. Obtain current Safety Data and telegant section before use Label all decard a chemical sinter condary containers with product name, dilution and hazard pictograms; and NOT use unabelled are and follow manufacturer dilution ratios; DO NOT mix chemicals such a peach and a superior of a safety glasses or chemical such a peach and superior of a safety glasses or chemical goggles and, where indicated visible, half-the respirator with appropriate filters compliant with AS/NZS 1716 Superior of the micals upright in bunded trays or spill pallets, segregating acids from alkalis and oxidisers, and reep and rom ignition sources The row of the micals in lidded containers in the rear of the Ute or van using spill trays; DO NOT carry local chemical drums in vehicle cabins Provide spill kits appropriate to chemicals used and train workers to contain and clean minor spills safely, disposing of waste as per SDS requirements Wash hands and forearms thoroughly after chemical handling and before eating, drinking or using amenities 	2M
Manual handling and waste removal	Musculoskeletal strain Heavy load lifting Awkward postures Needlestick or sharps exposure Cuts from broken glass	3H		2M



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Use of powered equipment	Electrical shock Trip from cords Noise exposure Flying debris Equipment entangment			2M
Working at heights and edges	 Falls from ladders Falls from open edges Falling objects Unstable access equipment Fragile surfaces 	4A		2M



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Construction site amenities cleaning	Biological contart lation Slip on wet floors Confined space-like toilets Aggressive occupants Contact with sharps	ЗН		2M
Port-a-loo servicing and waste handling	Exposure to sewage Chemical treatment agents	4A		2M



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SPECIFIC WORK STEPS	HAZARDS THAT MAY ARISE • Vehicle movement • Hose disconnection • Bioaerosol inhalation	IN INITIAL RISK	SPECIFIC MEASURES TO BE PUT IN PLACE TO ELIMINATE OR CONTROL THE RISKS	RESIDUAL RISK
Heavy duty and post- renovation cleaning	Construction dust inhalation Embedded debris in floors Residual construction adhesives Hidden protruding nails Noise from intensive equipment	ЗН		2M



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Final building clean before handover	Glass breakage Damage to finished surfaces Falls on polished floors Working around contrades Time pressure seess	3Н		1L
Event aftercare and post-event clean-up	Broken glass on ground Crowd interaction Vehicle and plant movement Alcohol-related aggression Litter-borne sharps	ЗН		2M



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Internal surface and window cleaning	Inhalation of vapours Chemical drips on electrics Contact with sharp frames Overreaching on sills Allergic reactions	2M		1L



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External areas and car parks cleaning	Moving traffic Uneven surfaces Weather exposure High-pressure spray recoil Stormwater contamination	3Н		2M
Completion, review and sign-off	Unreported damage Leftover hazards Fatigue-related errors Poor documentation Unsecured equipment	2M		1 L



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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. ANY STATE AT 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

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/legislati

Codes of Practice NSW: https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/resource-library/lis

Northern Territory

Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011

Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Regulation 201

Legislation NT: https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/wo

Codes of Practice NT: https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/f -resourd

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/le lation

Codes of Practice for SA: https://www.safework.sa.gov.au/wor/ aces/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.

Victoria

Or pational Health a. Safety Act J4

Occ ational Health and afety gulations 2017

Legis on VIC: https://www ksafe.vic.gov.au/occupational-health-and-safety-act-and-

tes of actice V/ attps://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/compliance-codes-and-codes-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

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/modelcodes-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





SIGNATORIES OF THE SAFE WORK METHOD STATEMENT

The signed and dated personnel listed below have cooperated in the consultation and development of this Safe Work Method Statement which has been approved by the Person/s Conducting a Business or Undertaking (PCBU). In signing this Safe Work Method Statement each individual acknowledges and confirms that they have read this SWMS in full, having raised any questions for items on this Safe Work Method Statement that require clarification, and confirms that they are competent, skilled and knowledgeable for the task assigned to them. Every person acknowledges that they have received the relevant training and qualifications where required, before carrying out any work contained in this Safe Work Method Statement. By signing this Saf Work Method Statement each individual agrees to work safely, to follow any safe work instructions which are provided, and agrees to use all Personal Protective Equipment where appropriate.

Worker Name	Signature

SAFE WORK N. THE STATEMENT MONITORING AND REVIEW

The SWMS must be reviewed regularly to make sure it remains fective of must be reviewed (and revised if necessary) if relevant control measures are rovised. The view respectively should be carried out in consultation with workers (including contractors as the may be cated by the operation of the SWMS and their health and safety representatives who represented that work group at the workplace.

When the SWMS has been revised the PCBU must ensure that advised that a revision has been made and how they can access the revised SWMS, including all persons who will need to change a work procedure or system as a rest of the review are advised of the changes in a way that will enable them to implement their duties and the revised SWMS. All workers that will be involved in the work must be provided with the relevant information and instruction that will assist them to understand and implement the revised SWMS.

The SWMS must be monitored regularly for the effectiveness of ensuring hazard controls are effective in reducing the risk of incidents, keeping the workplace safe for all personnel. The person responsible for monitoring the effectiveness of the Safe Work Method Statement should employ a multi-faceted approach which includes but is not limited to:

- Spot Checks.
- 2. Consultation with workers, contractors and sub-contractors.
- 3. Internal audits on a continual basis.

An approach of continuous improvement, promptly recording inconsistencies or deficiencies, followed up by immediate corrective action and consultation with all relevant personnel ensures that the PCBU is consistently developing ever-improving systems of safe work principles.

REVIEW NUMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
NAME							
INITIALS							
DATE							

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SAFE WORK METHOD STATEMENT REVIEW CHECKLIST

This Safe Work Method Statement Review Checklist is to be followed and used upon initial development of the SWMS to help ensure that all steps have been adequately taken before work commences. Think of this document as an internal audit review checklist before commencing work, and may form part of a Toolbox Talk (safety meeting) and may be used as an opportunity for education and training.

ITEMS WHICH MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE SWMS	COMPLETED	COMMENTS	
The company details have been entered, including the project name and address.			
All relevant personnel consulted during the development of the SWMS.			
Name, signature, position and date signed of the person approving the SWMS.			
Specific personnel and qualifications, experience is noted in the SWMS.	7		
Provides a step-by-step process of tasks required to carry out the activity or task.	k		
Adequate risk assessment of any identified hazards has been completed.	\boxtimes		
Foreseeable hazards are identified and documented for each step.	\boxtimes		
Any hazards listed in any site risk assessments have been added to the SWMS			
SWMS initial risk (IR) column as well as residual risk (RR) colum mpleted.	\boxtimes		
Check control measures added to the SWMS are the most effective selections.			
Responsible person is assigned and listed on the part of the important of	\boxtimes		
Permit or licenses requirements specified, sur as Hot Work, Electric Work, Work at Heights etc.	\boxtimes		
SWMS identifies plant and equipment to be use	\boxtimes		
Details of inspection checks required for any equipment listed an onthe SWMS.	\boxtimes		
Describes any mandatory qualifications, experience, use or skills required to perform the work.	\boxtimes		
Applicable personal protective equipment is selected on the SWMS.			
Reflects and documents any legislative references and/or Australian Standards.	\boxtimes		
Identifies any hazardous substances used with specific control measures in line with any SDS.	\boxtimes		
REVIEWED BY	DATE REV	/IEWED	
SIGNATURE	DATE COMPLETED		