



Climbing Up Or Down A Ladder Attac	ched To A Vehicle SAFE V	VORK METHOD STATEMENT	(SWMS)
TASK OR ACTIVITY:	Climbing Up Or Down A Ladder	Attached To A Vehicle	
Business Name:		ABN:	SWMS#
Business Address:			
Contact Person:	Phone:	E il:	
THIS SAFE WORK METHOD	STATEMENT IS APPROVED BY	THE PC. OF TP' ROJECT	
Under the Work Health and Safety Regulation (WHS Regulation), a person conduct the proposed work starts.	cting a business or under the (PC 1) is	required to en that 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	apliance the VMS a well 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 CO THIS SWMS	OMMUNICATED TO IN THE
Safety meetings or toolbox talks will be sched and in account with a gislative requirements to first identify any site hazards, 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, an atately. 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.			





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 BIOK CONSTRUCTOR	NAME OF THE POLIT
ANY HIGH-RISK CONSTRUCTOR	N WC & BEIN C ARIED 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	\square is carried out on or near energised electrical installations or services
☐ involves demolition of an element related to the physical integral of a functure	☐ 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 — v 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 that. tunnel involving use of explosives	☐ is carried out in areas with artificial extremes of temperature.
\square is carried out in or near water or other liquid that involves a risk of drowning.	☐ involves diving work.
ANY HIGH-RISK MACHINER	Y OR EQUIPMENT NEARBY



RISK MATRIX										
LIKELIHOOD	INSIGNIFICANT	MINOR	MODERATE	MAJOR	CATASTROPHIC	SCORE	ACTION	HEI	RARCHY OF CONTROLS	
ALMOST CERTAIN	3 HIGH	3 HIGH	4 ACUTE	4 ACUTE	4 ACUTE	SCORE	ACTION		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 before work starts.		Replace the hazard.	
UNLIKELY	1 LOW	1 LOW	2 MODERATE	3 HIGH	4 ACUTE	2M MODERATE	Ensure control measures in place.	Isolate	e 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	Administrative Change the work. The second most effective method of controlling a hazard. Engineering by isolation is the virce ost envirce, while Administrative ontrols by changing the work is the fourth most effective method. PPE (Personal Protective Equament), the least effective									

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		Select the app	ropriate PPŁ	abo vuitab	cor the equi	pment used or	the job task	being perforr	ned (if applica	ıble).	
FOOT PROTECTION	HAND PROTECTION	HEAD PROTECTION	HEARING ETION	P ECTION	PROTECTION	FACE PROTECTION	HIGH-VIS CLOTHING	PROTECTIVE CLOTHING	FALL PROTECTION	SUN PROTECTION	HAIR/JEWELLERY SECURED
Other PPE R	equired:										
	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
1. Preparation	Incorrect ladder selection, unfit equipment	ЗН	 Select a ladder that is suited for the specific ask and conditions, ensuring it meets Australian Standards. Inspect the ladder thoroughly before use for 'sible d'a lage such as cracks, bends, or corrosion. Ensure the ladder's load capacity is suitable force user and any tools or equipment being carried. Verify that all ladder components are in proper woring or concluding locking mechanisms and stabilisers. Choose a laddrough no or lip fector enhance shability on different surfaces. Position the odder on a scale, leve ourfactor prevent slipping or tipping during use. Do course man shiften ders or componised equipment under any circumstances. Avoir thing ladder near power lines or electrical hazards to prevent electrocution risks. Ensulation is are unured properly to the vehicle, using appropriate fixtures and fittings to prevent movement. Instanton vorkers in the correct usage and potential risks associated with ladder use through regular training sections. Replace any ladders that show signs of significant wear or defects immediately to ensure safety. Incolement a routine maintenance schedule for all ladders and equipment used in the workplace. Encourage a culture of reporting and addressing any safety concerns swiftly to maintain a safe working environment. 	1L
2. Pre-use inspection	Faulty ladder, loose connection of the ladder to the vehicle	ЗН	 Conduct a thorough visual inspection of the ladder for any signs of wear and tear such as cracks, dents, or bends in the rungs or side rails. Verify that all locking mechanisms and hinges are functioning properly to ensure they securely hold the ladder in place during use. Check that the ladder is constructed from materials appropriate for its intended use and has the correct load rating for the planned tasks. Confirm that the ladder is firmly and correctly attached to the vehicle according to manufacturer specifications. Examine the connection points where the ladder attaches to the vehicle for any rust, looseness, or structural damage. Ensure that any adjustable parts of the ladder, such as extendable sections, are fully locked into position before climbing. Use only ladders that have been certified and comply with current Australian Safety Standards for mobile equipment. Prevent unauthorised alterations or repairs on the ladder to avoid compromising its integrity. 	2M



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			- Keep all ladder surfaces clean and free of oil, grease, or other slippery substances to maintain secure footing.	
			- Clearly label any ladder that is found to be defect with "Do Not Use" and remove it from service until it can be repaired or replaced.	
			- Train all personnel in proper ladder inspect in procedural and emphasise the importance of reporting any potential faults immediately.	
			- Schedule regular maintenance checks by a queed professional to ensure ongoing ladder safety and compliance.	
			- Document all inspections, including findings and accountability and sure serence	
			- Ensure that all ladder is any and free analy oil, grease, or mud to minimise slipping risks.	
			- Reg vinspe vin	
			- Use a act or that a oppropriate for the task, ensuring it reaches at least one metre above the highest step you need to reach	
			Always naint. three points of contact while climbing—two hands and one foot or two feet and one	
	1		Make the vehicle is parked on a flat surface and the ladder is secured according to manufacturer's tructions.	
3. Climbing Up	Unstable footing, overreading	311	- Var non-slip, closed-toe footwear designed for climbing tasks.	1L
3. Climbing op	Officiable footing, over 5		- Avoid carrying heavy or bulky materials when climbing; instead, use a tool belt or hoist them up once on top.	
			- Position the ladder so it's at the correct angle (four metres up for every one metre out from the base).	
			- Do not overreach to the sides; descend and move the ladder if necessary to prevent loss of balance.	
			- Limit climbing activities to when weather conditions are favourable to avoid wind or rain affecting stability.	
			- Use safety harnesses where applicable for additional protection against falls, especially in high-risk areas.	
			- Sign will be put up around the vehicle indicating ladder activity to alert nearby workers or pedestrians.	
Working at Height	Slipping, falling from height	4A		2M



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5. Climbing Down	Over-stepping edge, weak ladder legs due to prolonged use	ЗН		2M



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6. Dismounting from Ladder	Injury if not dismounting correctly, bumps or sprains	2M		1L
7. Ladder Storage	Improper handling of ladder, Failure to secure ladder when not in use	3Н		2M



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8. Emergency procedures	No efficient system for money cy response, lack of knowledge about first aid	4A		2M
9. Dealing with Incidents	Incorrect reporting process, indirectly related injury (strain, repetitive tasks)	2M		1L

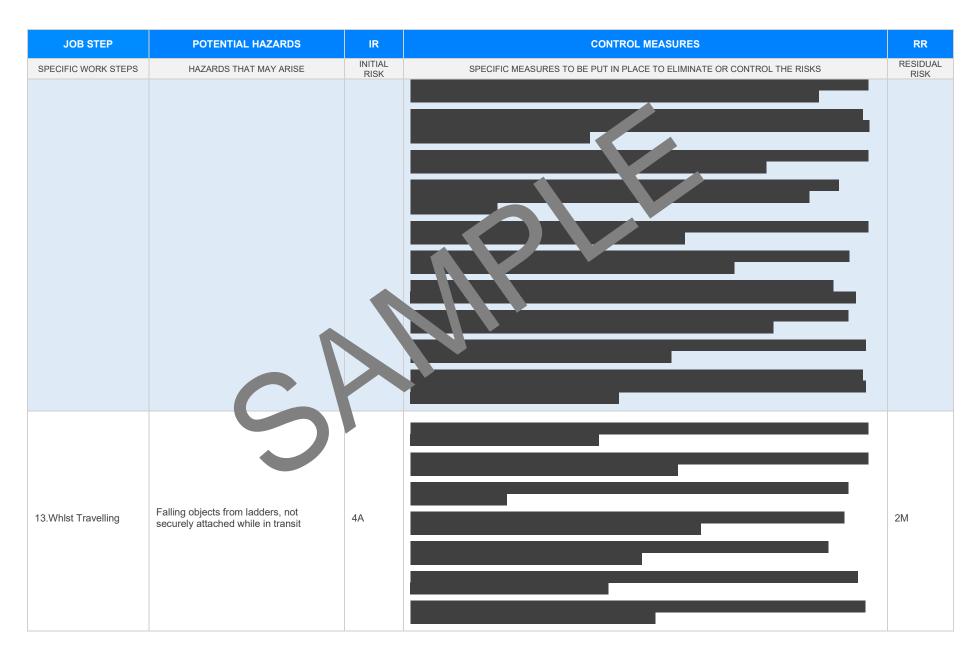






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11.Environmental Consideration	Adverse weather condition orking at night without adequate lighting			1L
12.Review & Update Control Measures	Infrequent reviews, Poorly researched updates or changes in work practices	3Н		1L







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14.Ladder set up	Incorrect angle, sets on unstable ground	4A		2M
15.Disassembly and Clean -up	Careless handling of ladder, not securing the ladder whilst moving	3Н		2M



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16.Handover to next shift	Inadequate handover instructions, incomplete communication about potential hazards	ЗН		1L



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7.Driving with stored	Potential for falling bjects d	4A		■ 2M
quipments	sudden stops or actions			2.00
8. Documenting ncidents	Incorrect filing/reporting of incidents, overlooking minor incidents	3H		1L



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19. Regular Review	Dated safety procedures and rules, infrequent training of personnel	ЗН		2M



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20.Shutdown & Clean- up	Risk of injury while discosemumg, improper disposal awastes	oH		1L



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 2017

Legislation NSW: https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/legal-obligations/legislative

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

Northern Territory

Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011

Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Regulation 201

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

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

Occupational Health al. Safety Act

Occupational Health and affety gulations 2017

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

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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/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





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 Safe 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	Date

SAFE WORK IN THE STATEMENT MONITORING AND REVIEW

The SWMS must be reviewed regularly to make sure it remains a fective of must be reviewed (and revised if necessary) if relevant control measures are revised. The view process should be carried out in consultation with workers (including contractors 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 mast 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 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							





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.			
Adequate risk assessment of any identified hazards has been completed.			
Foreseeable hazards are identified and documented for each step.			
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) column pleted.			
Check control measures added to the SWMS are the most effective selections			
Responsible person is assigned and listed on the part the important control measures.			
Permit or licenses requirements specified, sur as Hot Work, Electric Work, Work at Heights etc.			
SWMS identifies plant and equipment to be us			
Details of inspection checks required for any equipment listed an inoted on the SWMS.			
Describes any mandatory qualifications, experience, and or skills required to perform the work.			
Applicable personal protective equipment is selected on the SWMS.			
Reflects and documents any legislative references and/or Australian Standards.			
Identifies any hazardous substances used with specific control measures in line with any SDS.			
REVIEWED BY	DATE REVIEWE	D	
SIGNATURE	DATE COMPLETED		