



Concrete Slab Polish	er SAFE WORK METHOD	STATEMENT (SWMS)	
TASK	OR ACTIVITY: Concrete Slab Po	olisher	
Business Name:		ABN:	SWMS#
Business Address:			
Contact Person:	Phone:	E 111:	
THIS SAFE WORK METHOD	STATEMENT IS APPROVED BY	THE PC. OF THE ROJECT	
Under the Work Health and Safety Regulation (WHS Regulation), a person conduct the proposed work starts.	eting a business or under a (PC 1) is	required to en that a safe work method s	statement (SWMS) is prepared before
Full Name:			
Signature:	NY	Title:	Date:
Details of the person(s) responsible for ensuring implementation, monitoring	opliance 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 PERSONNI 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 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, an alately. 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 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

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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	rchy of Controls: ost effective metho nging the work is th	d of controlling a	hazard. Enginee	ering by isolati	on is the in ost e	en 'ive, while	rd. Substitution Administrative effective		Administrative Change the work. PPE	

				PERS		TIVE EQUIPM					
		Select the app	ropriate PPL	abo. auitab	le or 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	Required:										
	Pe	ermit or Licen	ses Requirem	ents			Ma	andatory Qual	ifications 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	Slips and trips, Manual handling injuries	2M	 Ensure the workplace is clean and free from the bris by conducting regular housekeeping activities, removing any potential obstacles that may have slips of the properties. Clearly mark any temporary hazards, such as the coors, with warning signage to alert workers of the risk. Provide workers with approporate non-slip footwest to proper the risk of slipping while performing tasks related to concrete slich alishin. Train workers proper ling techniques to proper at manual handling injuries when loading or unloading equipment, the erials, or to b. Implement a body such where two comore workers complete tasks together, particularly when they involve any lift to an oving large objects, to reduce the potential for strain and injury. Regularly spect to traininatin all equipment used for concrete slab polishing, ensuring it is fully function fan that for the to avoid accidents during the preparation stage. Identify and most any uneven surfaces, such as cracks or protrusions within the concrete slab, so they can be at ressel before polishing begins, reducing the risk for workers to trip. Estable and enforce safe work procedures and guidelines, including proper use of equipment, signated travel paths, and restricted areas, to minimise workers' exposure to hazards. A sign experienced supervisors to monitor and manage the work environment, providing assistance and guidance to workers on safe practices during the preparation stage. If required, use mechanical aids, such as trolleys, dollies, or forklifts, to transport heavy materials and reduce the need for manual handling, thus minimising the risk of injury. Encourage workers to take regular breaks, giving them time to rest and recover from the physical demands of the job to decrease the likelihood of injury due to fatigue. Continuously evaluate and review work processes and safety measures, allowing for adjustments and improvements to enhance the overall safety of t	1L
2. Equipment setup	Electrocution, Entanglement in the machine	3H	 Ensure all electrical equipment, including the polishing machine, is inspected and tested by a licensed electrician before commencing work to avoid risks of electrocution. Utilise Residual Current Devices (RCDs) on all electrical outlets and equipment to provide additional protection against electrocution hazards. Check for any exposed wires or damaged cords and replace them immediately to prevent electrocution. Ensure the work area is free from water and other conducting substances to reduce the risk of electrical shocks. Install warning signs and barriers to restrict access to unauthorised personnel in the work area, thereby minimising their exposure to potential electrocution hazards. 	2M



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			- Provide workers with appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), such as insulated gloves and boots, to protect against electrical hazards when working with the concrete slab polisher.	
			- Train workers on proper usage, handling, and storage of the polishing equipment to minimise the risk of entanglement in the machine.	
			- Ensure regular maintenance and inspecting of the polising equipment to identify any defects or malfunctioning parts, reducing the chance on tangle and accidents.	
			- Establish a communication system between we are using the concrete slab polisher and those working nearby to maintain awarenes, and coordination in these of error gencies.	
			- Educate workers about proper dy positioning an elements while using the polisher; this helps avoid loose clothic body at from getting caught in the equipment.	
			- Implement — wout/tagout — pcedule — during — alipment setup, maintenance, or repair works to prevent accidental state of the province, the maintenance is a post of the province, the maintenance is a post of the province.	
			- Instruction or a safe distance from the rotating parts of the polishing machine to minimise the possile type foody and the safe distance from the rotating parts of the polishing machine to minimise the possile type foody and the safe distance from the rotating parts of the polishing machine to minimise the possile type foody and the safe distance from the rotating parts of the polishing machine to minimise the possile type foody and the safe distance from the rotating parts of the polishing machine to minimise the possile type foody and the safe distance from the rotating parts of the polishing machine to minimise the possile type foody and the safe distance from the rotating parts of the polishing machine to minimise the possile type foody and the safe distance from the rotating parts of the polishing machine to minimise the possile type foody and the safe distance from the rotating parts of the polishing machine to minimise the possile type foody and the safe distance from the safe distance from the possile type foody and the safe distance from the safe distan	
			- Encourage conkers report any hazardous conditions, such as faulty machinery or unsafe work practice to prote a poactive safety culture in addressing potential work-related hazards.	
	1		- Pro, W aintain and inspect the concrete polishing machines, ensuring all dust containment systems e function geffectively to minimise dust release.	
			- plement wet grinding techniques, where water is used to suppress dust while polishing the concrete slab, to reduce airborne particulates.	
			- Mandate the use of personal protective equipment (PPE) such as dust masks or respirators with a suitable filtration system, to prevent workers from inhaling dust particles.	
			- Conduct regular air quality monitoring in the workplace, to ensure that dust levels remain within acceptable limits and maintain proper ventilation.	
	_	011	- Install sound barriers, where possible, to mitigate noise pollution and limit the exposure of workers and nearby residents to excessive noise levels.	014
3. Grinding process	Exposure to dust, Noise pollution	3H	- Schedule periodic breaks for workers during the grinding process, allowing them to move away from the noise source and minimise prolonged exposure to harmful noise levels.	2M
			- Ensure all workers operating machinery are adequately trained and informed on how to use the equipment safely, minimising the risk of accidents leading to further hazards.	
			- Properly secure the work area, using caution tape or barricades, to prevent unauthorised access and potential exposure to the identified hazards.	
			- Establish and enforce a comprehensive hearing conservation programme, which includes regular employee hearing tests and the provision of custom-fit ear protection devices, such as noise-cancelling earmuffs or plugs.	
			- Encourage open communication between workers and supervisors regarding any concerns about dust exposure or noise levels, fostering a proactive approach to hazard reduction.	



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			- Develop a detailed emergency response plan in case of incidents related to dust or noise pollution, enabling workers to act quickly and effectively in the event of an accident.	
			- Regularly conduct toolbox talks and safety meeting to keep workers up-to-date with current best practices for managing the hazards associated and the grinding process.	
			- When working near residential or comment of areas, epoce compliance with local noise restrictions by scheduling work during permitted hours and ifying earby occupants about the expected noise levels.	
			- Constantly review and update workplace health and safety practices in response to emerging industry standards, technology advantaments, or lessons are reported from asst experiences to maintain a safe working environment for all enviyees involved in the contract slab polishing process.	
4. Edge work	Poor posture, Ovela vibra n	₽M		1L



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5. Polishing process	Flying debris, Slippes wace	≥M		1L



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6. Slurry management	Inhalation of harmful particles, Slipp surface	2M		1L



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7. Repair work	Falls from height, Chemical burns	ЗН		1L



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8. Cleaning process	Exposure to chemicals, Wearnaces	2M		1L
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9. Disposal of waste	Sharp objects, Hazarana marrials			1L



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10. Machine maintenance	Electric shock, Mechani	31		2M



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11. Backfilling & compaction	Collapse of trench or excavation, Vehicular hazards	ЗН		2M
12. Inspection & quality assurance	Unstable structures, Inadequate safety measures	2M		1L



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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 OF 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

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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/legislatide

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

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/work_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 at Safety Act 34

Occupational Health and Infety gulations 2017

Legis on VIC: https://www.wksafe.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							

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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.		
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 pulleted.		
Check control measures added to the SWMS are the most effective selections		
Responsible person is assigned and listed on the part the important part of 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 a noted on the SWMS.		
Describes any mandatory qualifications, experience, 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 REVIE	WED
SIGNATURE	DATE COMPL	ETED