Connecting Meters	SAFE WORK METHOD S	TATEMENT (SWMS)						
TAS	K OR ACTIVITY: Connecting Me	ters						
Business Name:		ABN:	SWMS#					
Business Address:								
Contact Person:	Phone:	E ail:						
THIS SAFE WORK METHOD	STATEMENT IS APPROVED BY							
Under the Work Health and Safety Regulation (WHS Regulation), a person conducting a business or under the proposed work starts.								
Full Name:								
Signature:		Title:	Date:					
Details of the person(s) responsible for ensuring implementation, monitoring a	ppliance the VMS a vell as review	s and modifications of the SWMS.						
Full Name:		Title:	Phone:					
ALL PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING IN ANY ACTIVITY ON THIS MAN HAVE THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATED	NACE OF ALL RELEVANT PERSONNE EVELOPMENT AND APPROVAL OF	EL WHO HAVE BEEN CONSULTED AND CO THIS SWMS	DMMUNICATED TO IN THE					
Safety meetings or toolbox talks will be sched ad in according with gislative requirements to first identify any site hazards, such a company nical those hazards and then to further take steps to either eliminate or contract each hazard.								
If an incident or a near miss occurs, all work must stop an ately. 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-RISK CONSTRUC	
☐ involves a risk of a person falling more than 2 meters	I 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 integ. Y of a sucture	$\square$ 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 terrar by supart 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	$\Box$ 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.
☐ 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



RISK MATRIX										
LIKELIHOOD	INSIGNIFICANT	MINOR	MODERATE	MAJOR	CATASTROPHIC	SCORE			HEIRARCHY 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 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 k⊾ records		Engineering Isolate the hazard.	
TOTAL       LOW       LOW       MODERATE       HIGH       HIGH       LOW       ktorecords       Isolate the hazard.         Idease on Hierarchy of Controls:       Elimination methods are the most effective and preferrement on the value of controlling a hazard. Engineering by isolation is the virtue ost enditive, while Administrative Change the work.       Administrative Change the work.         Controls by changing the work is the fourth most effective method.       PPE (Personal Protective Equament), the least effective       PPE										

						TIVE EQUIPM					
		Select the ap	propriate PPL	abo, ruitab	i or the equi	oment used or	the job task	being perform	ned (if applica	able).	
FOOT PROTECTION	HAND PROTECTION	HEAD PROTECTION		P ECTION	R⊾ ⇒PIRATORY PROTECTION	FACE PROTECTION	HIGH-VIS CLOTHING	PROTECTIVE CLOTHING	FALL PROTECTION	SUN PROTECTION	HAIR/JEWELLERY SECURED
Other PPE Required:											
	Permit or Licenses Requirements					Mandatory Qualifications and Training					



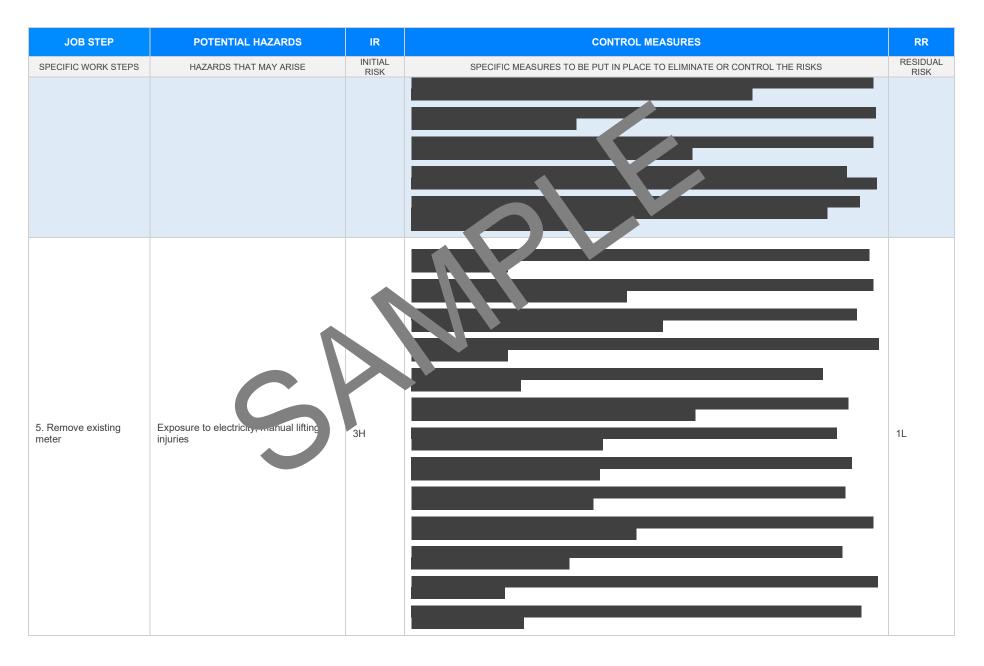
JOB STEP	POTENTIAL HAZARDS	IR	CONTROL MEASURES	RR
SPECIFIC WORK STEPS	HAZARDS THAT MAY ARISE	INITIAL RISK	SPECIFIC MEASURES TO BE PUT IN PLACE TO ELIMINATE OR CONTROL THE RISKS	RESIDUAL RISK
1. Preparation	Potential slips, trips and falls, incorrect handling	2М	<ul> <li>Ensure the work area is well-lit to enhance traviality and reduce the potential for slips, trips, and falls.</li> <li>Keep the workspace tidy by removing any checess the equipment or debris that could cause tripping hazards.</li> <li>Use non-slip mats or shoest resigned to provide a tter grip or unppery surfaces.</li> <li>Clearly mark any uneven surfaces or wet areas which using signs or cones to alert workers.</li> <li>Conduct a pre-track risk cheess to identify environmental factors that may increase slip and trip risks.</li> <li>Trained personnel in modul handling continues to ensure they lift and carry loads safely.</li> <li>Utility channes are an or bight during transportation to what one person can manage comfortably without risking urry.</li> <li>Position meter and related equipment ergonomically to avoid awkward postures and reduce strain.</li> <li>Provide upropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), such as gloves and safety boots, to all orderes.</li> <li>Lipocate sufficient time for meter connecting tasks to prevent rushing and associated mishandling.</li> <li>Encourage workers to report any spills or obstructions immediately so they can be addressed promptly.</li> </ul>	1L
2. Transport meters to site	Vehicle collision, manual lifting injuries	ЗН	<ul> <li>Ensure all drivers have current and valid licences appropriate for the vehicle class.</li> <li>Conduct a pre-start check on vehicles to ensure they are in good condition, including brakes, lights, tyres, and sensors.</li> <li>Plan the route in advance to avoid areas with heavy traffic or known road hazards.</li> <li>Use a spotter when reversing vehicles at the site or in congested areas to prevent collisions.</li> <li>Load meters securely within the vehicle using proper restraints and position them to prevent movement during transit.</li> <li>Adhere to vehicle load limits to ensure that weight is distributed evenly and does not exceed manufacturer's specifications.</li> <li>Conduct manual handling training for workers to reduce the risk of lifting-related injuries.</li> <li>Provide mechanical aids such as trolleys or dollies to assist with moving meters from the vehicle to their destination.</li> <li>Implement a two-person lift rule for heavy or awkwardly shaped meters to minimise the risk of strain or injury.</li> </ul>	1L

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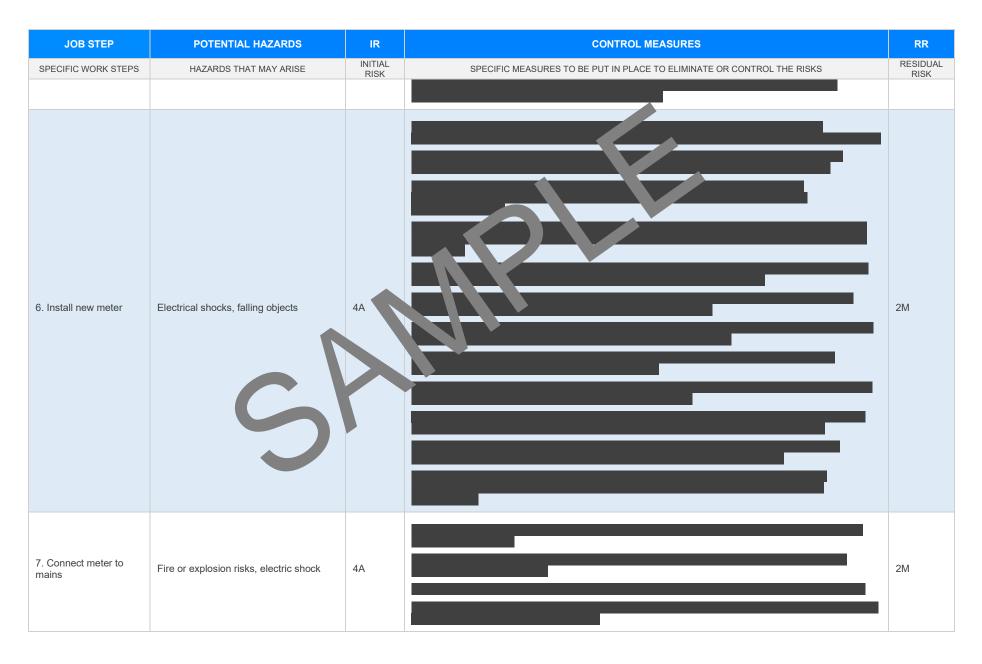


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SPECIFIC WORK STEPS	HAZARDS THAT MAY ARISE	INITIAL RISK	SPECIFIC MEASURES TO BE PUT IN PLACE TO ELIMINATE OR CONTROL THE RISKS - Wear appropriate personal protective equipment, such as steel-toed boots and gloves, when handling and transporting meters Develop and communicate an emergency proceeder plan in case of accidents or breakdowns during transport Maintain constant communication between he transport ion team and site personnel to coordinate safe	RESIDUAL RISK
3. Site inspection	Electric shocks, exposure to hazardous materials	2М	<ul> <li>delivery times and access points.</li> <li>Conduct a pre-inspection butting to ensure all waters underwand the potential hazards and safety procedures.</li> <li>Ensure only licet a evolutician perform or supervise work involving electrical components.</li> <li>Use appropriate personal potective equipment (PPE) such as insulated gloves, safety boots, and protective eye ear.</li> <li>De-transise electric circuits before commencing the site inspection to prevent electric shocks.</li> <li>Utilization on eductors to verify that circuits are de-energised before starting work.</li> <li>Clearly manue infort workers of areas where there may be exposure to live electrical components.</li> <li>appement embedded ensure response procedures, including having first aid kits and trained personnel available in-site.</li> <li>Identify and correctly label materials suspected of being hazardous, such as asbestos, and ensure soper handling procedures are followed.</li> <li>Provide training for workers on identifying and managing hazardous substances they may encounter.</li> <li>Maintain a safe distance from overhead power lines and use warning signage to highlight their presence.</li> <li>Regularly inspect tools and equipment for damage or defects and ensure they are adequately maintained.</li> <li>Establish communication protocols for reporting any hazards or incidents observed during the inspection.</li> </ul>	1L
4. Pre-installation setup	Falling from heights, electrical hazards	4A		2M

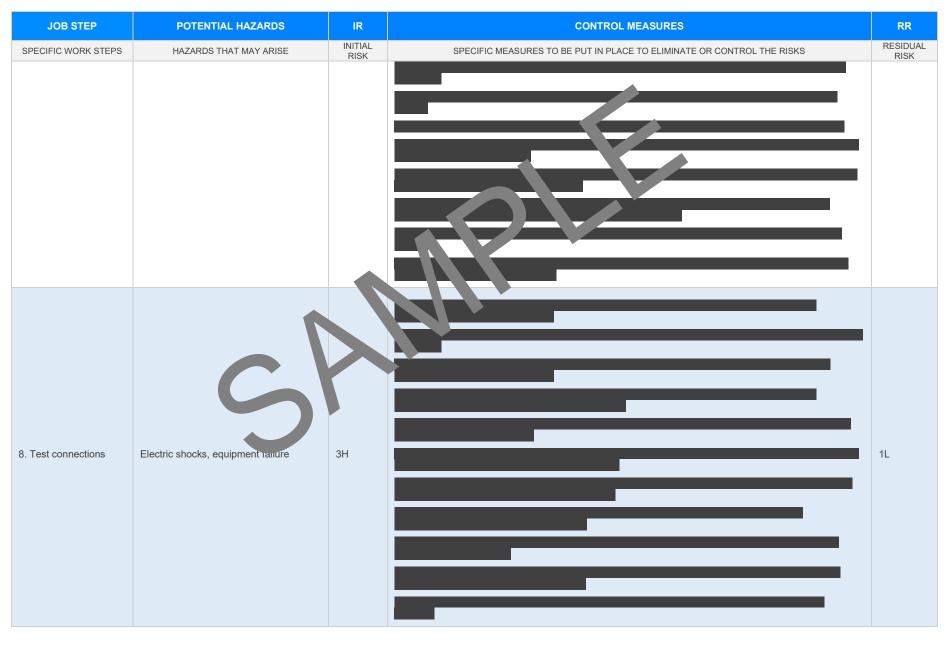






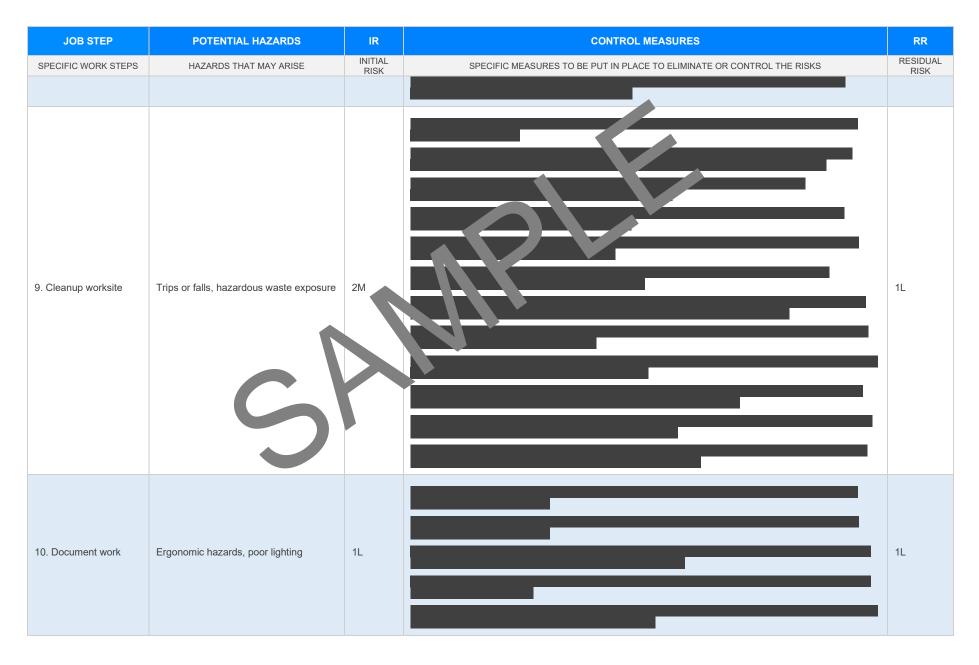






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11. Meter data collection	Data loss, unauthorised access	2M		1L

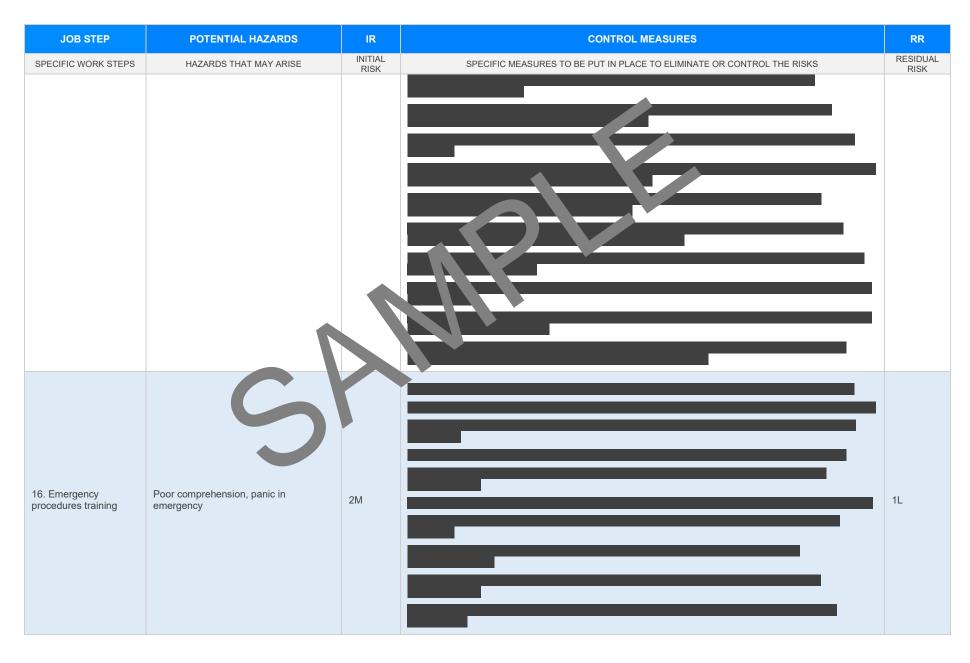


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12. Transport back to warehouse	Traffic accidents, loading/unloading injuries	2М		I 1L
13. Unload and store meter	Manual lifting injuries, stacked item falls	2М		1L



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14. Report and feedback	Mental stress, inadequate rest break	2M		1 1 1
15. Maintain tools/Equipment	Injury from sharp objects, improper equipment servicing	ЗН		1L



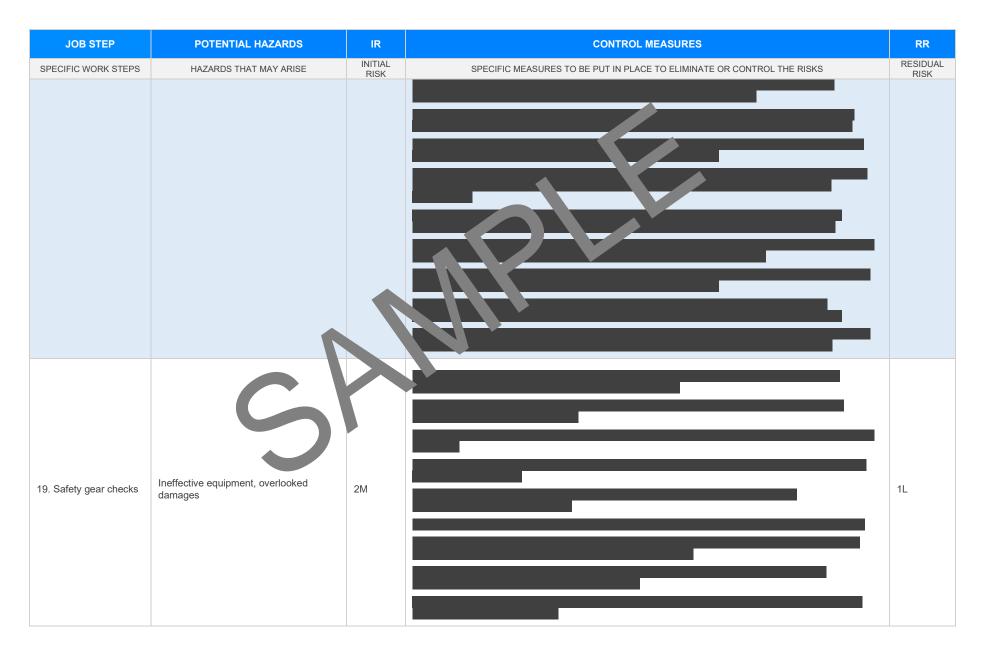


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17. Worksite risk assessment	Incomplete evaluations, overlooked hazards	ЗН		1L
18. Regular safety	Non-compliance penalties, inadequate	ЗН		2M
audits	udits oversight			







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20. Dispose of waste material	Incorrect handling, the ardous numes			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 REF	ERENCES
RELEVANT LEGISLATION AND CODES OF PRACTICE. DELETE THE LEGISL	ATIVE REFERENCES DANY STATE DAT 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 au Safety Act 204 Occupational Health and pafety or gulations 2017 Legis non VIC: <u>https://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/occupational-health-and-safety-act-and- rulat</u> is unles of mactice VIC <u>extps://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/compliance-codes-and-codes-practice</u>
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Northern Territory Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011 Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Regulations 2015 Legislation NT: <u>https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/we_place-serv-laws</u> Codes of Practice NT: <u>https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/f</u>	Safe Work Australia Links Law and Regulation (All States): <u>https://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/law-and-regulation</u> Model Codes of Practice: <u>https://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/resources-publications/model-</u> <u>codes-of-practice</u> Model Codes of Practice
South Australia Work Health and Safety Act 2012 (SA) Work Health and Safety Regulations 2012 (SA) Legislation for SA: <u>https://www.safework.sa.gov.au/resources/legislation</u> Codes of Practice for SA: <u>https://www.safework.sa.gov.au/work_dces/codes-of-practice#COPs</u>	<ul> <li>Managing noise and preventing hearing loss at work</li> <li>Confined spaces</li> <li>Labelling of workplace hazardous chemicals</li> <li>Managing risks of hazardous chemicals in the workplace</li> <li>Welding processes</li> </ul>
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: <a href="https://worksafe.tas.gov.au/topics/laws-and-compliance/acts-and-regulations">https://worksafe.tas.gov.au/topics/laws-and-compliance/acts-and-regulations</a> Codes of Practice for TAS: <a href="https://worksafe.tas.gov.au/topics/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice">https://worksafe.tas.gov.au/topics/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice</a>	<ul> <li>First aid in the workplace</li> <li>Managing the risk of falls at workplaces</li> <li>Hazardous manual tasks</li> <li>Managing the risk of falls in housing construction</li> <li>Managing electrical risks in the workplace</li> <li>Demolition work</li> <li>Excavation work</li> <li>Work health and safety consultation, cooperation and coordination</li> </ul>
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.	<ul> <li>Work nearth and safety consultation, cooperation and coordination</li> <li>Managing the work environment and facilities</li> <li>How to manage work health and safety risks</li> <li>Managing risks of plant in the workplace</li> <li>Construction work</li> </ul>



#### 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 gualifications 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 N THE ST ATEM ANT MONITORING AND REVIEW

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The SWMS must be reviewed regularly to make sure it remains fective revised if necessary) if relevant control measures are revised. The viewn consultation with workers (including contractors htractors Vb 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 persons involved with the work are advised that a revision has been made and how they can acces he revised SWMS, including all persons who will need to change a work procedure or system as a region of the review are advised of the changes in a way that will enable them to implement their duties antly with 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:

- 1. 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.		
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.	$\boxtimes$	
Foreseeable hazards are identified and documented for each step.	$\boxtimes$	
Any hazards listed in any site risk assessments have been added to the SWMs	$\boxtimes$	
SWMS initial risk (IR) column as well as residual risk (RR) column mpleted.	$\boxtimes$	
Check control measures added to the SWMS are the most effective selection	$\boxtimes$	
Responsible person is assigned and listed on the property of the importation control measures.	$\boxtimes$	
Permit or licenses requirements specified, su 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 protection on the SWMS.	$\boxtimes$	
Describes any mandatory qualifications, experience, and g or skills required to perform the work.	$\boxtimes$	
Applicable personal protective equipment is selected on the SWMS.	$\boxtimes$	
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 REVIEWED	
SIGNATURE	DATE COMPLETED	