



Drilling For Pipe Installa	tions   SAFE WORK METH	OD STATEMENT (SWMS)	
TASK OF	R ACTIVITY: Drilling For Pipe Ins	tallations	
Business Name:		ABN:	SWMS#
Business Address:			
Contact Person:	Phone:	E jil:	
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.	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:	NY	Title:	Date:
Details of the person(s) responsible for ensuring implementation, monitoring a	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 & MS MAY HAVE THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATED	NA. 2 OF ALL RELEVANT PERSONNI EVELOPMENT AND APPROVAL OF	EL WHO HAVE BEEN CONSULTED AND C THIS SWMS	OMMUNICATED TO IN THE
Safety meetings or toolbox talks will be sched sed in accounty with a gislative requirements to first identify any site hazards, and then to further take steps to either eliminate or contineach hazard.			
If an incident or a near miss occurs, all work must sto, adately. 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	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 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 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	

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		Select the app	propriate PPL	abo√ ≃uitab	ic 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	R PIRATORY 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		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	Tripping, Falling objects 2M, Inappropriate use of tools 3H	3H	<ul> <li>Conduct a site walk-through to identify and bark potential trip hazards.</li> <li>Ensure the work area is free of unnecessar, lutter andebris.</li> <li>Use clear and visible signage to warn workers camp and fall hazards.</li> <li>Provide proper personal protective equipment, in ording hazards, steel-toed boots, and high-visibility vests.</li> <li>Secure tools are materic at demanted locations to prevent them from falling.</li> <li>Use appropriate barricade or barric parent the work zone to limit access by unauthorized personnel.</li> <li>Editions work to one confitting techniques and handling procedures.</li> <li>Inspirit whand to power tools to ensure they are in good working order before use.</li> <li>Ensulational works are trained in the correct use of tools and equipment.</li> <li>Implement structure and update safety signage to reflect current site conditions and hazards.</li> <li>Assignates and responsibilities clearly for monitoring site safety and addressing hazards promptly.</li> <li>Inablish emergency contact procedures and ensure all workers are familiar with them.</li> <li>Provide adequate lighting in all work areas to improve visibility and reduce the risk of tripping.</li> </ul>	2M
2. Site Inspection	Slippery surfaces 2M, Unidentified underground services 4A	4A	<ul> <li>Conduct a thorough site survey to identify potential hazards, such as slippery surfaces and underground services, before commencing work.</li> <li>Implement signage and barriers around slippery areas to prevent access by unauthorised personnel.</li> <li>Use non-slip mats or temporary ground covers on identified slippery surfaces to enhance traction for workers.</li> <li>Conduct regular inspections of work boots to ensure they have adequate tread for working on slippery surfaces.</li> <li>Develop and adhere to a site-specific Safe Work Method Statement (SWMS) outlining all potential hazards and control measures.</li> <li>Engage a qualified surveyor or utility locator to mark the location of any underground services prior to drilling activities.</li> <li>Refer to Dial Before You Dig or similar services for information on underground utilities in the area.</li> <li>Provide training to workers on recognising and avoiding hazards related to slippery surfaces and underground services.</li> <li>Use handrails or grab bars where possible for additional stability when navigating slippery areas.</li> </ul>	ЗН



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			- Equip workers with high-visibility clothing to maintain visibility and safety while maneuvering around the site.	
			- Schedule work during daylight hours or ensure a quate lighting is available to view site conditions clearly.	
			- Employ a spotter to monitor drilling operators and provide an immediate response in case hazards are encountered.	
			- Limit access to areas with potential undergroup services to authorised and properly trained workers only.	
			- Establish emergency procedule and communicate struck during drilling portions.	
			- Review and stify plans agrams, a wings before marking out drill locations to ensure accuracy and a ment to probe requirements.	
			- Con condetails tite inspection to identify and map underground utilities, using locators and utility maps.	
			- Engag in co ultatio with utility companies to confirm the precise location of buried services and tain re- vant long.	
			- Use the date and reliable cable and pipe locators to detect and mark existing underground utilities ccurate.	
			- plement a permit-to-work system to authorise drilling activities only after confirming safe locations are marked and documented.	
			- Provide training to workers on how to read and interpret utility maps and use detection equipment properly.	
. Mark Out Drill ocations	Incorrect layout 2M, Striking utilities	4A	- Clearly mark all identified utilities on the ground using appropriate markers or paint that will withstand environmental conditions.	2M
			- Develop and follow strict guidelines for the minimum distance from utilities within which drilling is prohibited.	
			- Include above-ground indicators that mimic drill marks to double-check alignment during installation.	
			- Utilise non-invasive methods, such as vacuum excavation or hydro-vac services, to expose critical utilities and verify their position.	
			- Communicate drill location plans and verified utility data clearly to all team members involved in the drilling operation.	
			- Establish a procedure to halt work immediately if unmarked utilities or discrepancies are identified during the marking process.	
			- Regularly review and update risk assessments and control measures whenever changes to site conditions or plans occur.	
			- Ensure constant supervision and monitoring during the marking process by experienced personnel to catch and address potential misalignments promptly.	

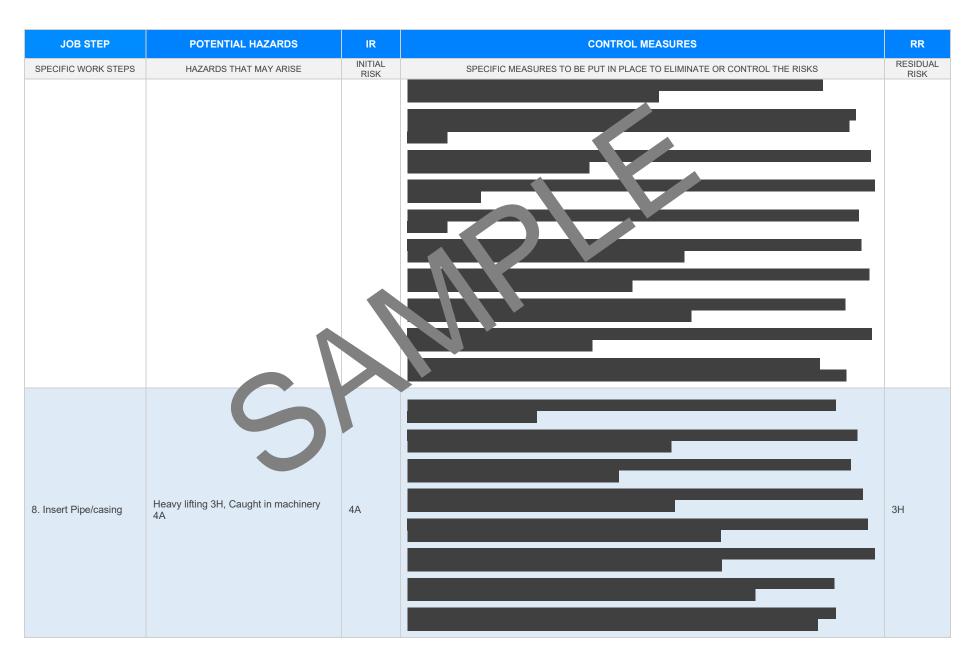


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4. Position Drilling Machine	Manual handling 3H, Contact with overhead powerlines 4A	4A		3H
5. Set Up Drilling Machine	Crushing 3H, Pinching 2M	3H		2M



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6. Drill Bore	Dust inhalation 3H wase exposure 4A	4A		2M
7. Remove Drill Stem	Contact with moving parts 3H, Equipment failure 4A	4A		<b>■</b> 3H







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9. Retrieve Drill Head	Heavy lifting 3H, Finger/hand injuny M	3H		2M



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10. Disconnect And Store Equipment	Inappropriate storage causing tripping 2M, Body stressing 3H	ЗН		2M
11. Backfill and Compact Hole	Unstable work environment 3H, Dust exposure 2M	3Н		2M



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12. Clean up work area	Slipping on spills 2M, Unsare disposal of waste material 3H	3H		2M



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13. Maintenance of Drilling Rig	Handling heavy machinery parts 3H, misuse/abuse of tools 2M	ЗН		2M
14. Staff Training	Inadequate knowledge leading to injury 3H, Miscommunication causing accidents 2M	3H		2M



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15. Documentation and Reporting	Incorrect documentation action accidents 2M, non-compliant with regulations 4A	4A		2M



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6. Waste Disposal				
	Hazardous material handling 3H, Improper disposal legal groundlution 4/	4		3H
Regular Safety	Inadequate communication leading to mishaps 2M, Non-adherence to safety	3H		2M
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18. Emergency Procedures	Lack of preparedness in case of emergencies 4A, Insufficient number of safe exits 3H	4A		ЗН



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19. Personal Protective Equipment	Inappropriate usage to injury H, Lack of proper PPE equipment 4A	4A		3H
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20. Final Site Clean Up	Slipping on spills 2M, Unsafe disposal of waste material 3H	3H		2M



#### **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

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/legislations/

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

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

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: <a href="https://www.safework.sa.gov.au/wor">https://www.safework.sa.gov.au/wor</a> 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 afety gulations 2017

Legis on VIC: https://www.safe.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: <a href="https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/worksafe/legislation">https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/worksafe/legislation</a> Codes of Practice WA: <a href="https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/worksafe/codes-practice">https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/worksafe/codes-practice</a>

#### 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 mpleted.		
Check control measures added to the SWMS are the most effective selective.		
Responsible person is assigned and listed on the person is as a person is a pers		
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, 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 REVIE	WED
SIGNATURE	DATE COMPL	ETED