Handling Heavy Timber	Logs SAFE WORK METH	OD STATEMENT (SWMS)	
TASK O	R ACTIVITY: Handling Heavy Tim	ber Logs	
Business Name:		ABN:	SWMS#
Business Address:			
Contact Person:	Phone:	E fil:	
THIS SAFE WORK METHOD	STATEMENT IS APPRO		
Under the Work Health and Safety Regulation (WHS Regulation), a person conduct the proposed work starts.	cting a business or under the (PC - U is	required to en the that a safe work method s	tatement (SWMS) is prepared before
Full Name:			
Signature:	NK	Title:	Date:
Details of the person(s) responsible for ensuring implementation, monitoring a	poliance the VMS a well as review	s and modifications of the SWMS.	
Full Name:		Title:	Phone:
ALL PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING IN ANY ACTIVITY ON THIS MAN PHAVE THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATED	NALE 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 ed in according with a gislative requirements to first identify any site hazards, such to compare hicas those hazards and then to further take steps to either eliminate or contact each hazard.			
If an incident or a near miss occurs, all work must stop an added by 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 terminary 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.	
Torket LOW LOW MODERATE HIGH HIGH LOW ktorecords Isolate the hazard. Interson Hierarchy of Controls: Elimination methods are the most effective and preferrement on on the grant hazard. Substitution Administrative Interson Hierarchy of Controls: Elimination methods are the most effective and preferrement on the grant hazard. Substitution Administrative Controls by changing the work is the fourth most effective method. PPE (Personal Protective Equament), the least effective 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					

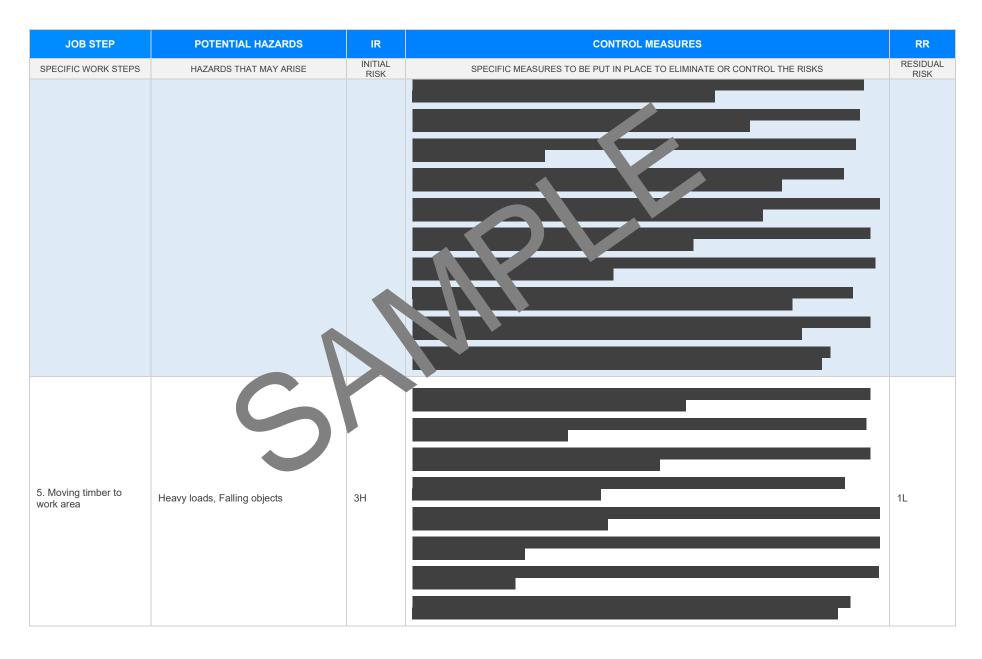


JOB STEP	POTENTIAL HAZARDS	IR	CONTROL MEASURES	RR
SPECIFIC WORK STEPS	HAZARDS THAT MAY ARISE	INITIAL RISK	SPECIFIC MEASURES TO BE PUT IN PLACE TO ELIMINATE OR CONTROL THE RISKS	RESIDUAL RISK
1. Preparation	Improper lifting technique, Slips, trips and falls	ЗН	 Conduct a pre-work briefing to ensure all provers understand the task and associated risks. Provide training on correct lifting technique and safe trainal handling practices specific to timber logs. Use mechanical aids such as forklifts, cranes, provides for lifting and moving heavy logs whenever possible. Ensure that all equipment use as regularly maintal of and inspected for safety compliance. Implement the proof period provide a gradient (PPE), including gloves, steel-capped boots, and high-visibility or uning. Designate class walkwas and work as more from obstacles to prevent slips, trips, and falls. Kee an awork as median and tidy by promptly removing any debris or tools not in use. Ensure lighting is a singulate in the work area to enhance visibility, especially in low-light conditions. Establish construincies protocols such as hand signals or radios when working in teams to coordinate average as satu. Assess the tather conditions daily, and postpone work if surfaces become slippery due to rain or other lementa. Set maximum weight limits for manual lifting based on individual worker capacity and adhere strictly to them. Continuously monitor the health and fatigue levels of workers to prevent injuries related to overexertion or distraction. 	2М
2. Transporting logs	Collisions, Load imbalance	ЗН	 Ensure all machinery used for transporting logs is routinely inspected and maintained to uphold safety standards. Train all workers in safe driving techniques and the specific controls of any vehicles or machinery they will be using. Implement a traffic management plan that clearly delineates pathways and zones for machinery and workers to prevent collisions. Equip vehicles with adequate signage and functioning lights to increase visibility during transport operations. Designate and enforce speed limits within the work area to maintain control over moving vehicles. Use spotters or designated observers to monitor operations and assist drivers when navigating congested or difficult areas. Secure loads properly by using approved restraining devices like chains and tensioners to prevent load imbalance. 	2М



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			- Conduct regular checks to ensure the log load is balanced and stable throughout the transportation process.	
			- Prohibit the transport of overweight loads by address to the maximum load capacities specified for each vehicle.	
			- Maintain clear communication channels are ng team merubers, including the use of radios or hand signals, to coordinate movement effectively.	
			- Implement rest breaks for operators to reduce gue, which con impair judgement and reaction time.	
			- Ensure the operation area is cell-lit in low-light conditioner enhance visibility and reduce the risk of accidents.	
			- Instruct worker to wear they have a strain to increase their visibility to machine operators.	
			- Set up barn, for exclusive zones a single erating machinery to keep unauthorised personnel at a safe distant	
			- Ensul to all work is are trained and competent in the use of machinery such as forklifts or cranes before a loa ing open consistence.	
	1		Establing another party mark exclusion zones around the unloading area to prevent unauthorized access of the prevent and the prevent unauthorized access of the prevent and the prevent unauthorized access of the prevent access of the prevent unauthorized access	
			Cond. pre-start inspection on all lifting equipment and machines to ensure they are in safe working ndition before beginning the task.	
			- the certified lifting gear specifically designed for handling heavy timber logs to prevent equipment failure.	
3. Unloading logs	Falling materials, cidents from a cident from a cident structure of the cident	4A	- Implement spotters equipped with communication devices to enhance visual oversight and direct equipment operators safely.	3H
	machinery		- Stabilize loads properly by adjusting and securing them using appropriate chocking methods before commencing any movement.	
			- Brief all team members on the specific unloading plan, ensuring roles and tasks are clearly understood to avoid confusion during operation.	
			- Monitor weather conditions, as rain, wind, or poor visibility can increase risk; postpone work if conditions deteriorate significantly.	
			- Wear personal protective equipment, including helmets, high-visibility clothing, and steel-capped boots, to minimize injury risk from falling materials or accidents.	
			- Inspect the unloading surface for stability and clear any obstacles to create a safe and even working environment.	
 Inspection of logs 	Splinters, Heavy lifting	3H		2M



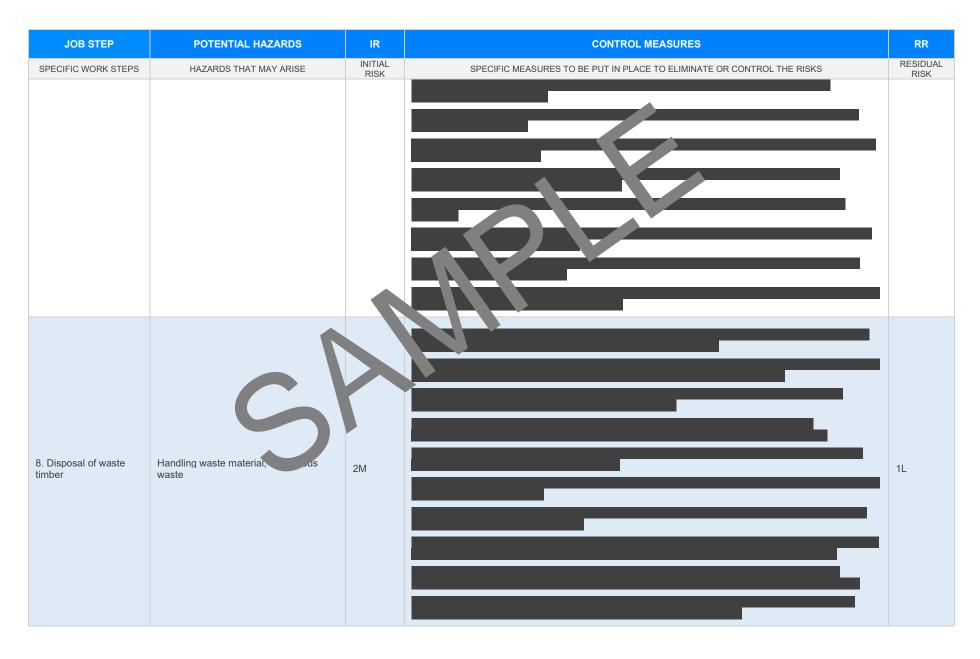




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6. Logging operations	Accidents with power tools, Noise exposure			2М
7. Timber storage	Poor stacking, Slips, trips and falls	ЗН		1L

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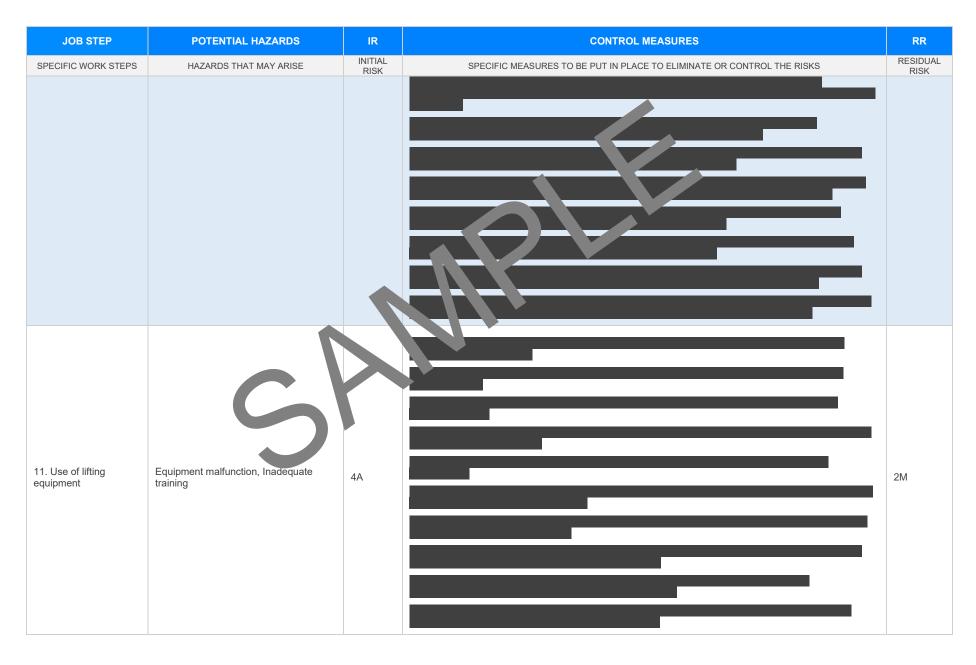




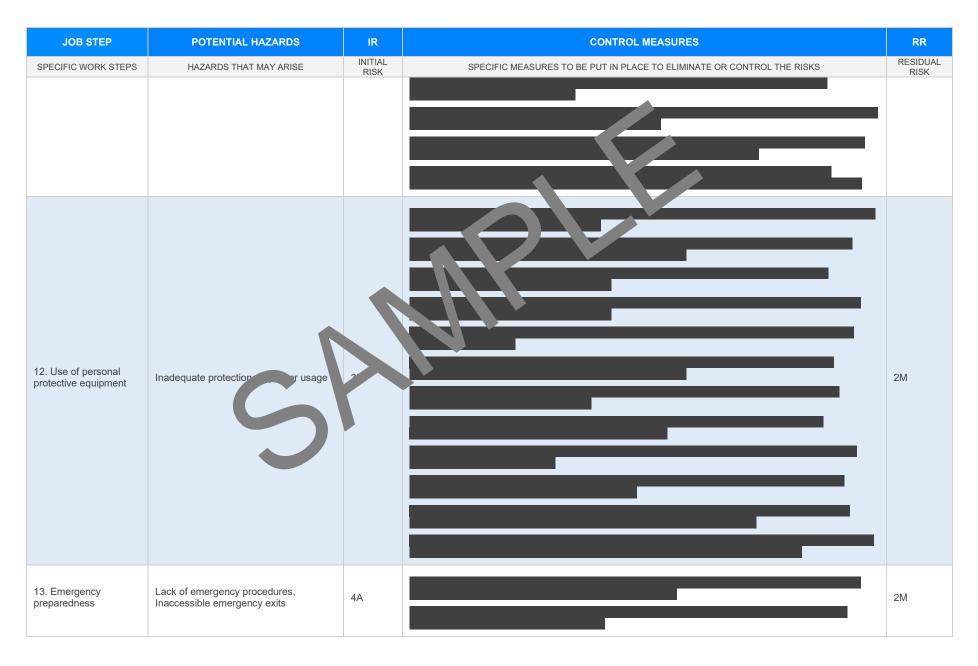
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9. Equipment maintenance	Improper tool use, Electrical hazards	ЗН		2M
10. Manual handling of timber	Musculoskeletal injuries, Back injuries	4A		2M

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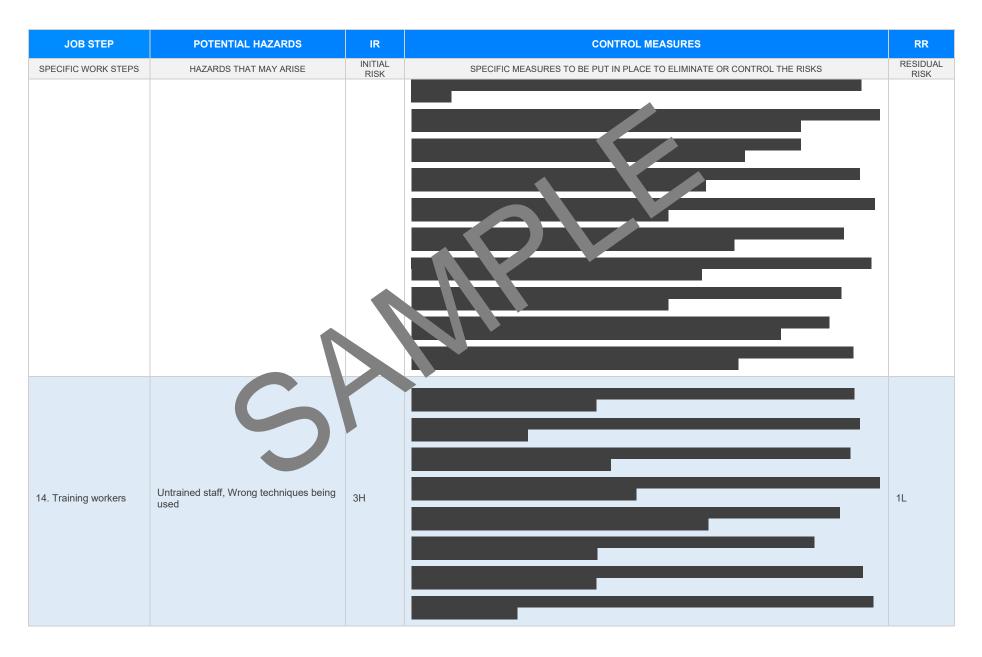




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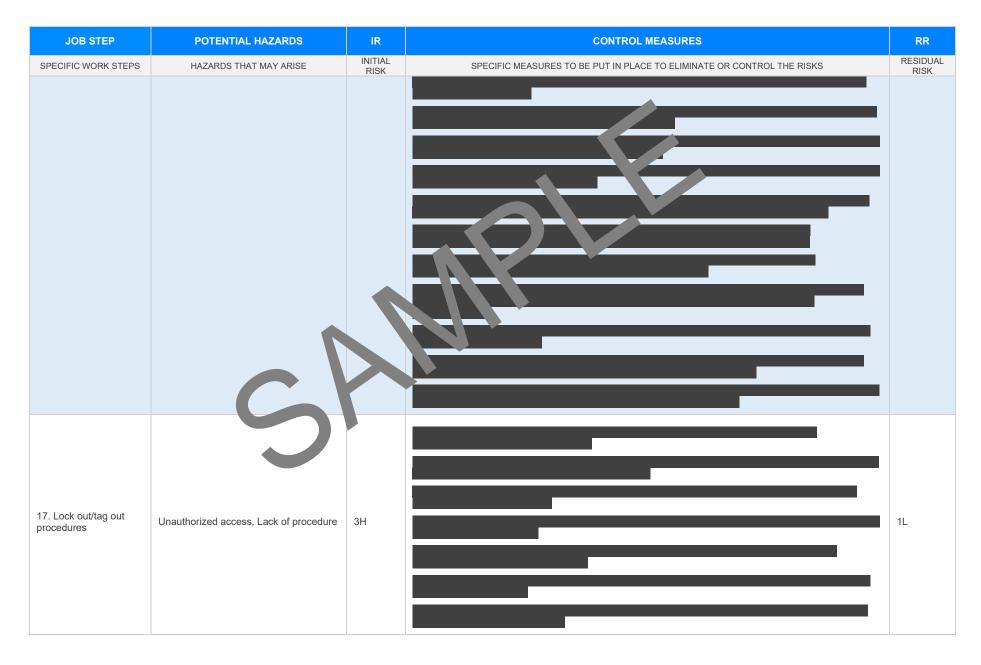






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15. Routine Inspection	Overlooking safety parameters, Rushin the inspection	3H		1L 1
16. Finishing operations	Lack of cleanliness, Cluttered workspace	2М		1L
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19. End of day procedures	Lack of security, Poor facility maintenance	2M		1L
20. Review and continual improvement	Lack of monitoring, Ignoring feedback	ЗН		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/codes-of-practice 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>autps://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/compliance-codes-and-codes-practice</u>
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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>	 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
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	 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
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.	 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 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	