



Pavement Breaker	SAFE WORK METHOD ST	TATEMENT (SWMS)	
TAS	SK OR ACTIVITY: Pavement Brea	aker	
Business Name:		ABN:	SWMS#
Business Address:			
Contact Person:	Phone:	E il:	
THIS SAFE WORK METHOD	STATEMENT IS APPROY BY	THE PC. OF THE ROJECT	
Under the Work Health and Safety Regulation (WHS Regulation), a person conduc		required to en that a safe work method s	statement (SWMS) is prepared before
the proposed work starts.	Airing a basilious of airth (i) of the	required to only a trial a said work mounds of	statement (OVVIVIO) to propared before
Full Name:			
Signature:	NY	Title:	Date:
Details of the person(s) responsible for ensuring implementation, monitoring a	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 & VMS IN HAVE THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATED	NA. 2 OF ALL RELEVANT PERSONNE EVELOPMENT AND APPROVAL OF	EL WHO HAVE BEEN CONSULTED AND COTHIS SWMS	OMMUNICATED TO IN THE
Safety meetings or toolbox talks will be sched ed in account with gislative requirements to first identify any site hazards, comparing those 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 attely. 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 PPŁ	abo v uitab	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	Slips, trips and falls, Electrical hazards	2M	 Conduct a thorough inspection of the work was to identify and eliminate any potential slip, trip, and fall hazards like loose debris or uneven surfaces prior to starting the job. Use appropriate personal protective equipme. (Fig. 2) such as non-slip footwear, gloves, and safety goggles when operating the pavement breaker. Mark the work area with high evisible signage, baters comes to alert other workers and pedestrians of potential hazards in the immediate vicinity. Regularly main and tools and equipment, including inspection of electrical cords for damage, ensuring proper grounding, and testing of residential curve adevices (RCDs) to prevent electrical malfunctions and related injuries. Ensure that all hours have undergone necessary training on the safe use and handling of pavement breakers, electrical suipment, and hazard identification. Develor an energene response plan for potential incidents involving slips, trips, falls, or electrical hazards and have sure all team members are familiar with it. Including heat any clean work areas by promptly removing debris, excess materials, or waste products, and be one esignated pathways, keeping them clear of obstructions. Imploy ergonomic solutions like utilising adjustable height controls for power tools or kneeling pads to learn strain on the body and lessen the risk of falling during one-handed operation. Periodically review and update the existing Safe Work Method Statement (SWMS) to incorporate best practices, lessons learned from past experiences, and new technologies that can reduce risks associated with slips, trips, falls, and electrical hazards. Reinforce a shared responsibility approach to workplace health and safety among all team members by encouraging open communication regarding identified hazards, concerns, and suggestions for improvement without fear of retribution. 	1L
2. Equipment Inspection	Equipment malfunction, Electrical hazards	ЗН	 Regular maintenance: Conduct routine inspection and maintenance of pavement breaker equipment to ensure it is in good working condition, reducing the risk of malfunction or accidents. Training and competency: Ensure that all workers using the pavement breaker are properly trained and competent, minimising chances of incorrect use and potential accidents. Equipment isolation: Make certain that the pavement breaker is correctly isolated and locked out from power sources when it is being inspected or serviced, mitigating electrical hazard risks. Pre-start checks: Perform thorough visual inspections of the pavement breaker's components, cables, connections, and safety features before each work shift to identify potential issues early on. Using appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE): Require all workers using or conducting inspections on the pavement breaker to wear necessary PPE, such as gloves, safety glasses, steel-toed boots, and earmuffs to protect against potential hazards. 	2M



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			- Use of Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI): Ensure that the electrical connection for the pavement breaker includes a GFCI to avoid shocks or electrocution in case of any electrical faults in the equipment.	
			- Safe storage: Store the pavement breaker and record accessories in designated storage areas when not in use to prevent inadvertent activation or of the age to the equipment.	
			- Incident reporting: Encourage workers to amptly reporting observed equipment malfunctions or electrical hazards, allowing for timely intervel on an ampliture etitle measures.	
			- Inspect power cords and cables: Check for crash, frays, or dayage to the pavement breaker's power cords, plugs, and connection to ensure proper in leation approvoid electrical hazards.	
			- Manufacturer guidelines: Adh. to manufacturer in mendations and guidelines for safe operation, maintenance, and poor of the pavement breaken equipment to minimise the risk of accidents.	
			- Regular site and erisk assessments Conduct agular risk assessments to identify hazardous areas, unsafe practice, and companies with least laws and regulations around workplace health and safety.	
			- Eng. externs you'se: Consult with industry-specific experts or engage a Workplace Health and Safety to ultant eview your organisation's practices and equipment conditions, ensuring complete complicate ith index y best practices and regulations.	
			insure lation, qualified and authorised personnel handle power connections.	
			- Insp. t. electrical cords, plugs, and equipment for damage or wear before use. Address any damages	
			- e suitable extension cords with correct voltage rating for the intended equipment to prevent overloading.	
			- Keep a suitable fire extinguisher readily available in close proximity to the work area.	
			- Regularly check the condition of outlets and connections to identify potential hazards promptly.	
			- Make certain that the breaker equipment is properly grounded to minimise the risk of electrical shock.	
3. Power Connection	Electrical hazards, Fire	3H	- Implement a Residual Current Device (RCD) on each power circuit to reduce the risk of electrocution and fires.	1L
			- Ensure enough ventilation in the work area to avoid overheating of equipment and prevent the build-up of potentially flammable particles.	
			- Prohibit the use of damaged or frayed power cables; replace them as needed.	
			- Avoid running electrical cords across walkways or high-traffic areas where they may be exposed to damage or cause trips and falls.	
			- Properly store any flammable materials away from the work area to mitigate fire risks.	
			- Clearly mark the power connection area with caution signs and/or barrier tape to alert workers of potential hazards.	
			- Train all employees involved with the pavement breaker operation on appropriate safe working procedures and emergency response measures in case of electrical incident or fire.	



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			- Conduct regular workplace safety audits to ensure compliance with established control measures and take corrective actions if necessary.	
4. Setup Work Area	Falling objects, Collision with other workers	2M		1L
5. Demolition	Flying debris, Noise exposure	4A		2M



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6. Material Handling	Manual handling injuries, Falling objects	ЗН		1L



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7. Dust Suppression	Airborne dust, Slips on wet surface	2M		1L



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8. Traffic Control	Vehicle collision, Pedesia	ЗН		1L



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9. Debris Removal	Struck by moving uipment Overexertion	2M		1L



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10. Equipment Maintenance	Equipment tenance Mechanical hazard Chemical exposure	зн		2M



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11. Breakdown/Cleanup	Manual handling it uries, Residual chemicals	2M		1L



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12. Return to Base	Transportation accident, require			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

 $\underline{\textbf{Legislation QLD:}} \ \underline{\textbf{https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/work-health-and-safety-laws}}$

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/legislati

Codes of Practice NSW: https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/resource-library/lis codes-of ractions of Practice NSW: https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/resource-library/lis codes-of-ractions-of-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: 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 al. Safety Act

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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tes of actice VIC attps://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/compliance-codes-and-codes-practice

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 as support ractors 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 ppleted.				
Check control measures added to the SWMS are the most effective selectives				
Responsible person is assigned and listed on the part the improved the 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 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.				
dentifies any hazardous substances used with specific control measures in line with any SDS.				
REVIEWED BY	DATE REVIEWED			
SIGNATURE	DATE COMPLETED			