Rock Blasting Activiti	ies   SAFE WORK METHOD	STATEMENT (SWMS)	
TASK	OR ACTIVITY: Rock Blasting Ac	tivities	
Business Name:		ABN:	SWMS#
Business Address:			
Contact Person:	Phone:	E ail:	
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.		required to en that a safe work method s	statement (SWMS) is prepared before
Full Name:			
Signature:		Title:	Date:
Details of the person(s) responsible for ensuring implementation, monitoring	opliance the VMS a vell as review	s and modifications of the SWMS.	
Full Name:		Title:	Phone:
ALL PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING IN ANY ACTIVITY ON THIS MAS P HAVE THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATED	NACE OF ALL RELEVANT PERSONN 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 ed in according with gislative requirements to first identify any site hazards, so the companies 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 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.			



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.	
Low       Low       MODERATE       HIGH       HIGH       Low       ke records       Isolate the flazati.         Notes on Hierarchy of Controls: Elimination methods are the most effective and preferre usen consult a hazard. Substitution is the second most effective method of controlling a hazard. Engineering by isolation is the increase the float isolate the flazation.       Administrative Change the work.         Controls by changing the work is the fourth most effective method. PPE (Personal Protective Equipment), the least effective       Effective       PPE										

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		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						Ма	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	Improper use of tools, Unauthorised access	2М	<ul> <li>Conduct thorough training for all workers is used in rock blasting activities to ensure they are competent in using tools properly.</li> <li>Implement a strict tool inspection procedure is call each use to ensure all tools are in good working condition.</li> <li>Provide personal protective subment (PPE) such is global, hard hats, and safety goggles to all personnel handling to the clearly defined mark to work the a with band us or warning signs to prevent unauthorised access.</li> <li>Establish a surity protect to moment access to the blasting site, allowing only authorised personal.</li> <li>Usen to tridgo procedures for tools and equipment to prevent accidental operation during mainter and or preparation.</li> <li>Ensurpsuparsision by utilified personnel at all times during preparation activities to oversee proper tool rage all communicate a detailed emergency response plan specific to rock blasting activities, necluding, accuation routes and emergency contacts.</li> <li>Do too no dommunicate a detailed emergency response plan specific to rock blasting activities, necluding, accuation routes and emergency contacts.</li> <li>Nebition first aid kits and fire extinguishers strategically around the site to provide immediate assistance in case of an accident.</li> <li>Implement a system for reporting and investigating near-misses and incidents to continuously improve safety measures.</li> <li>Rotate tasks among workers to prevent fatigue and reduce the likelihood of improper tool use.</li> <li>Deploy surveillance cameras or engage security personnel to monitor the perimeter for unauthorised access.</li> </ul>	1L
2. Site Assessment	Insufficient lighting, Unstable ground	ЗН	<ul> <li>Implement additional temporary lighting to ensure adequate visibility during assessment.</li> <li>Schedule site assessments during daylight hours whenever possible to maximise natural light.</li> <li>Use portable floodlights for areas with limited access to fixed lighting fixtures.</li> <li>Conduct a detailed geotechnical survey to identify potential ground instability issues.</li> <li>Mark all known unstable areas with clear signage to alert personnel.</li> </ul>	2M

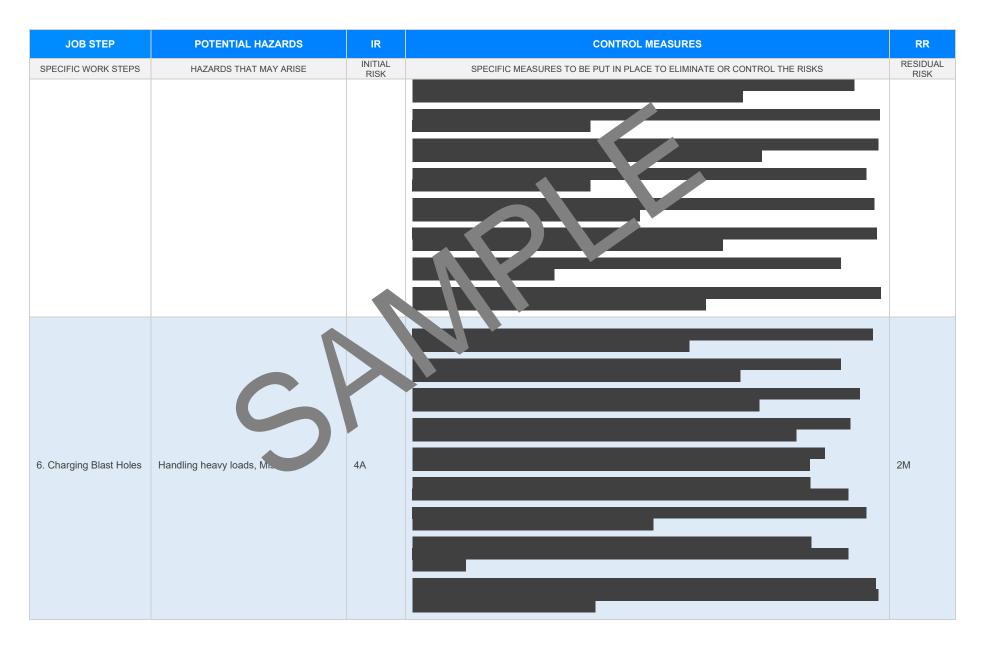


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			- Require personnel to wear appropriate personal protective equipment, including helmets and high- visibility vests.	
			- Establish exclusion zones around identified unstruction ground locations.	
			- Instruct site assessors on safe walking pather and restrict use to those paths only.	
			- Utilise ground penetrating radar to detect susurface us or weaknesses.	
			- Require workers to carry two-way radios for companication in poorly lit or uncertain terrain.	
			- Restrict vehicle access to a s that have not be confirmentable by a qualified engineer.	
			- Ensure an emergener responsibility of an in place and communicated to all team members in case of ground failure.	
			- Develop a comprehensive training processor personnel involved in drill pattern design to ensure under ording a caller nons and communication protocols.	
			- Imply new a dou, where calculations are reviewed by a secondary qualified engineer for accuracy	
		- Use computer hided and ign (CAD) software specifically tailored for drill pattern designs to minimise man erbr in a stulations.		
		3H	- Concert regular audits of design processes to identify and rectify any recurring calculation errors.	
			clude a checklist of key design components to verify all necessary factors have been correctly calleted and communicated.	
			Establish clear lines of communication with regular briefings to address any changes or updates to the project that could affect the drill pattern.	
3. Drill Pattern Design	Incorrect calculation		- Require team members to acknowledge understanding of design plans through a formal sign-off process before work commences.	1L
Ũ	errors		- Utilise standardised documentation for all design communications to ensure consistency and clarity.	
			- Implement a feedback loop where team members can easily report issues or improvements in calculations and communication practices.	
			- Schedule periodic refresher courses on updated industry standards and communication techniques for all involved personnel.	
			- Assign a dedicated communication officer to oversee message dissemination and confirmation across teams.	
			- Conduct routine drills focusing specifically on role-specific calculations and communication for ongoing skill assessment.	
			- Foster a culture of safety and openness where employees feel encouraged to ask questions about calculations or voice concerns immediately.	
			- Integrate the use of three-dimensional modelling tools which visually represent drill patterns, helping improve understanding and reduce calculation ambiguities.	



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4. Drill Set-Up	Equipment faults, Inexperienced operator	ЗН		1L
5. Drilling	Inhalation of dust, Noise exposure	ЗН		1L

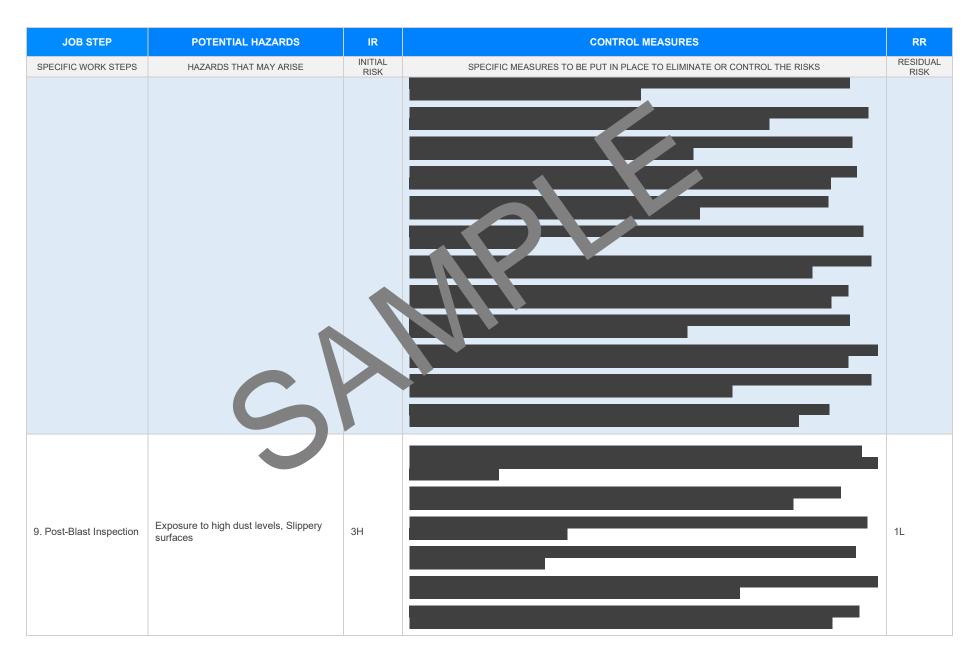




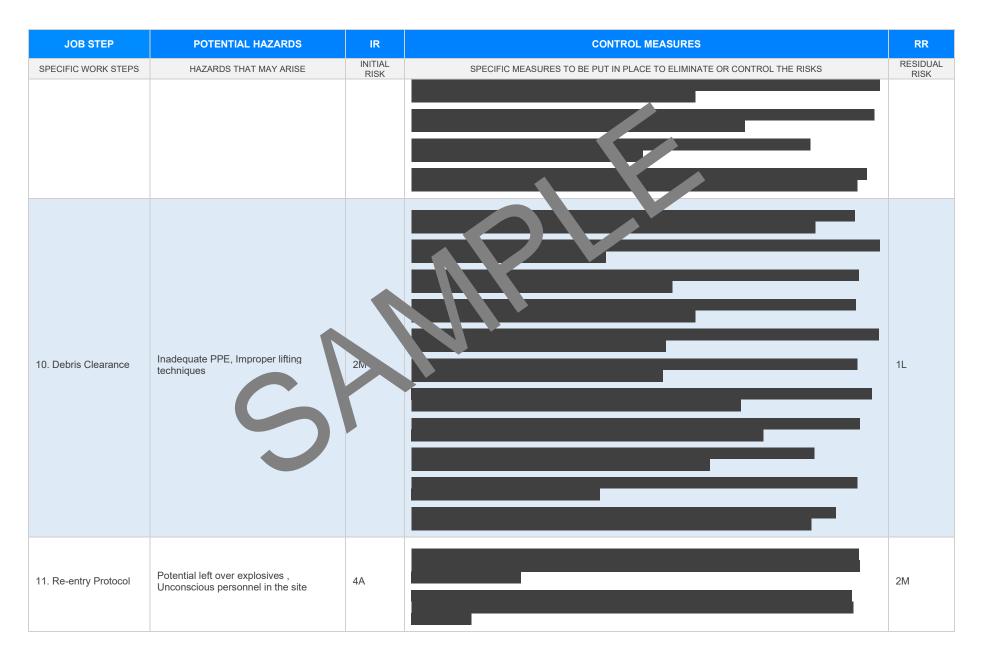


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7. Evacuation	Protruding objects, Poor signage	2M		1L
8. Detonation	Flying debris, Stress from noise	4A		2M

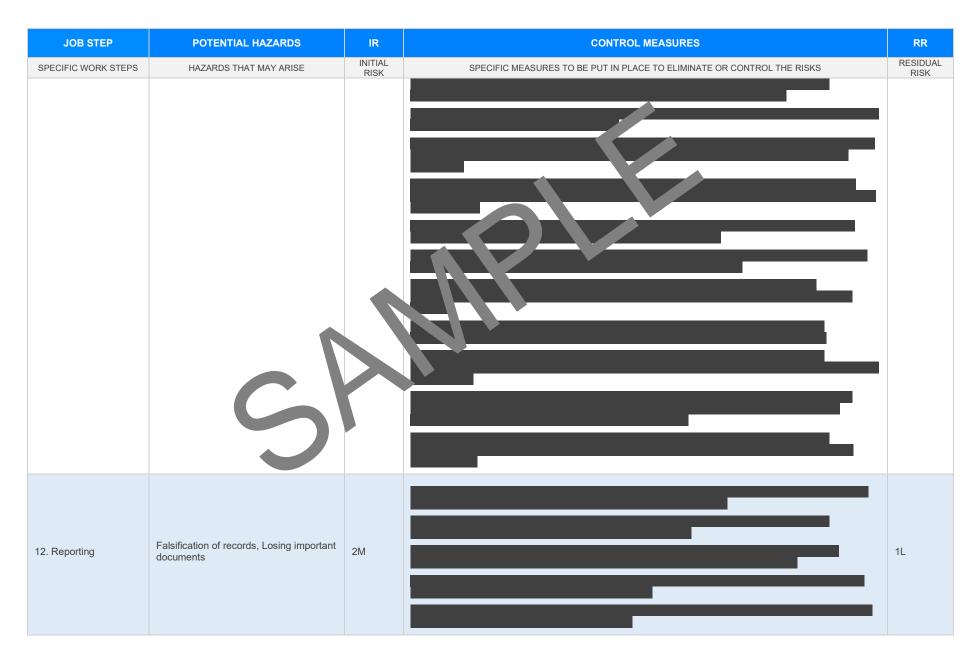








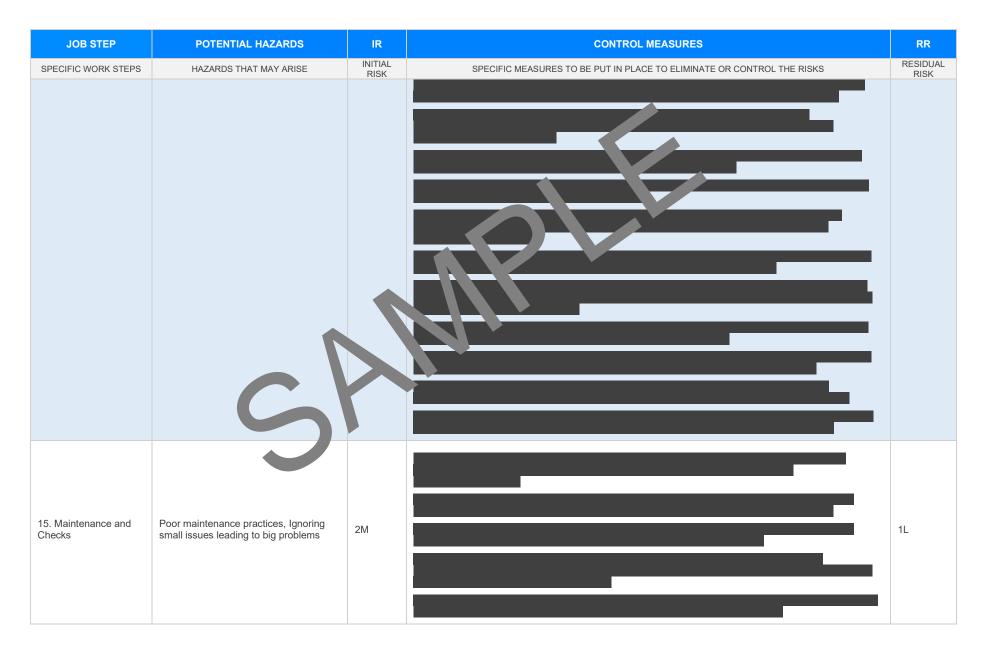




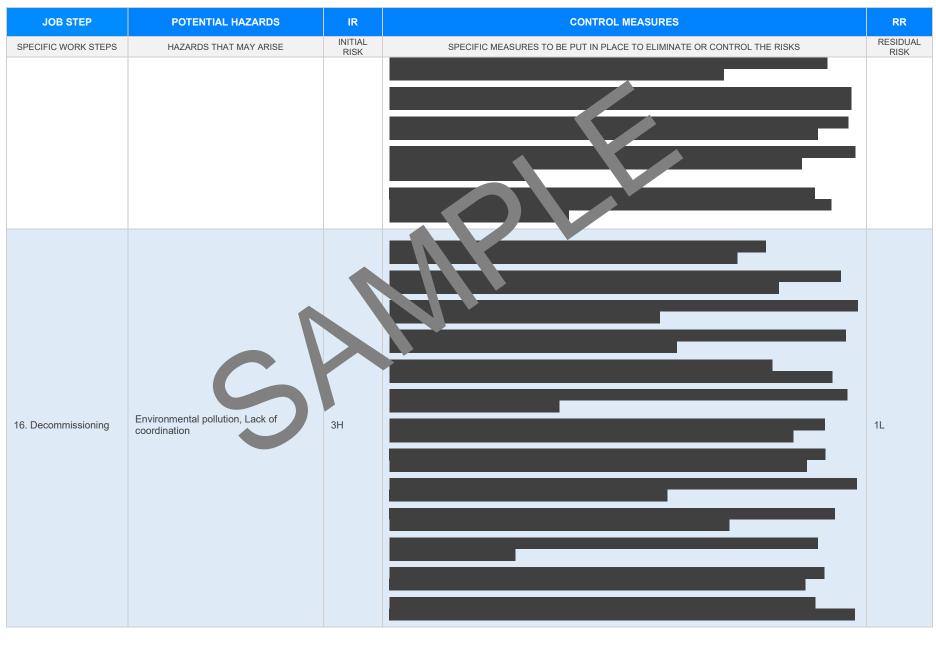


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13. Haulage	Unfit vehicles, Pour Driver skills	ЗН		1М
14. Stockpiling	Rollover accidents, Hazardous spill	3Н		1L









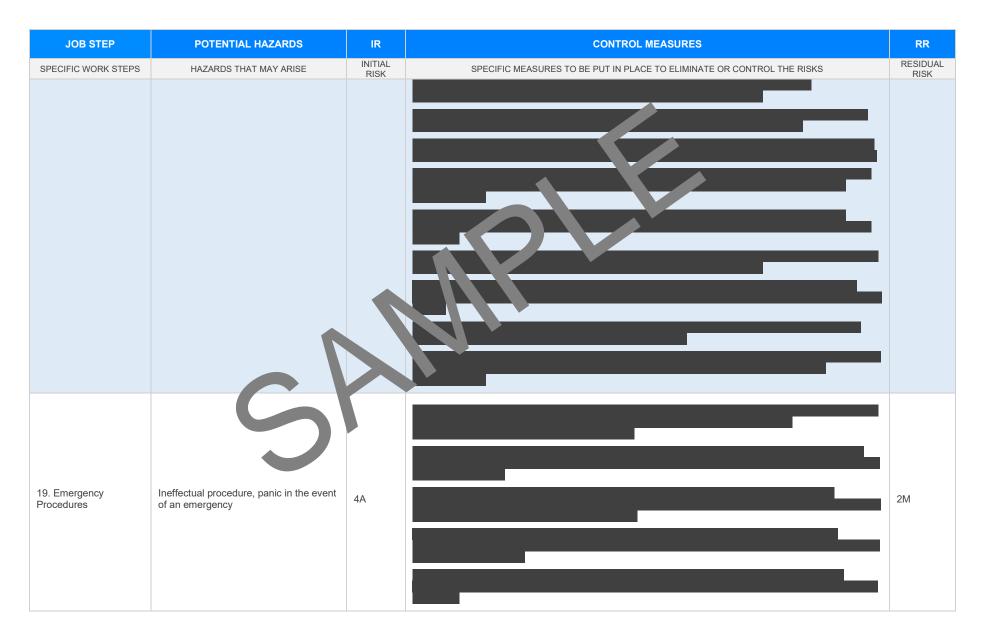


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17. Waste Management	Improper waste disposal, Fire hazard in waste pile	2М		1L
18. Employee Training and Education	Inadequate training, Resistance to change	ЗН		2M

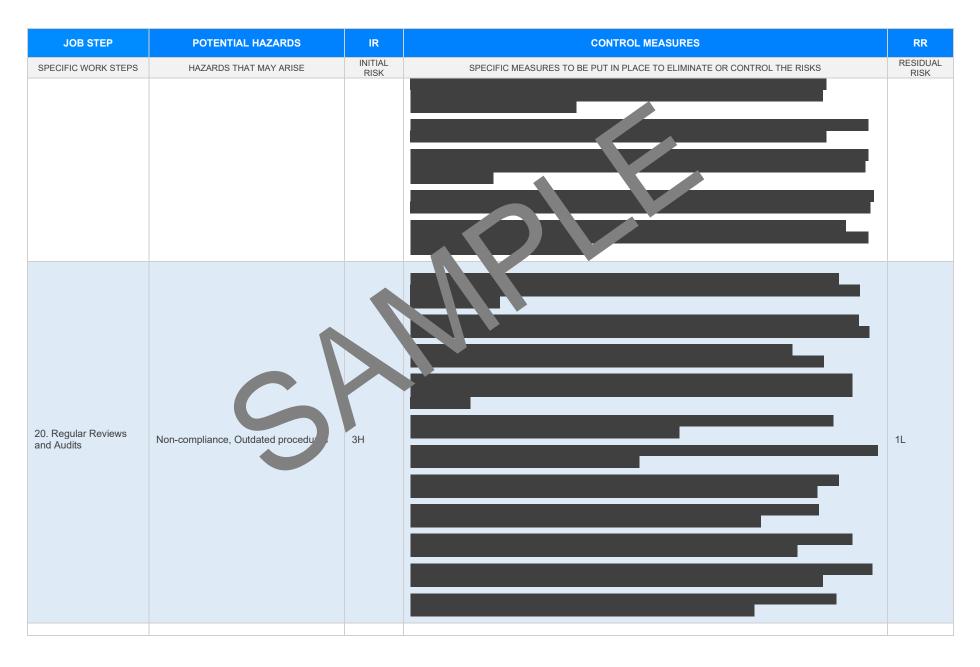
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#### **EMERGENCY RESPONSE – CALL 000 FOR EMERGENCIES**

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 ANY STATE AT ARE NOT APPLICABLE
Queensland & Australian Capital Territory Work Health and Safety Act 2011 Work Health and Safety Regulations 2011 Legislation QLD: <u>https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/work-health-and-safety-laws</u> Codes of Practice QLD: <u>https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice</u> Legislation ACT: <u>https://www.worksafe.act.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice</u> Codes of Practice ACT: <u>https://www.worksafe.act.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice</u>	Victoria Occupational Health au Safety Act and 4 Occupational Health and an effective gulations 2017 Legistron VIC: <u>https://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/occupational-health-and-safety-act-and- gulations</u> of des of mactice VIC <u>extps://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/compliance-codes-and-codes-practice</u>
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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: <u>https://worksafe.tas.gov.au/topics/laws-and-compliance/acts-and-regulations</u> Codes of Practice for TAS: <u>https://worksafe.tas.gov.au/topics/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice</u>	<ul> <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> </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 health 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 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	