

Asbestos Containing Material	s Removal SAFE WORK M	METHOD STATEMENT (SWM	S)
TASK OR ACT	TIVITY: Asbestos Containing Mat	erials Removal	
Business Name: [Company Name]		ABN: [ABN]	SWMS#
Business Address: [Company Address]			
Contact Person:	Phone: [Phone]	E gil:	
THIS SAFE WORK METHOD	STATEMENT IS APPROVED BY	THE P. OF THE PROJECT	
Under the Work Health and Safety Regulation (WHS Regulation), a person conductive proposed work starts.	cting a business or undertaking (r SU) is	required to ture at a safe work method s	tatement (SWMS) is prepared before
Full Name:			
Signature:		Title:	Date:
Details of the person(s) responsible for ensuring implementation, monitoring a	compliance of the SWMS well as review	s and modifications of the SWMS.	
Full Name:		Title:	Phone:
ALL PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING IN ANY ACTIVITY ON THIS WMS. ST HAVE THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATED		LL RELEVANT PERSONNEL WHO HAVE B OPMENT AND APPROVAL OF THIS SWMS	EEN CONSULTED AND
Safety meetings or toolbox talks will be sched ed in accordance with regislative requirements to first identify any site hazards, conditioned unical those hazards and then to further take steps to either the steps to either th	NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE
If an incident or a near miss occurs, all work must study unately. 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:							rk being carried out (otherwise			
Project Address:			k	nown as scope of works).						
Project Manager:										
Contact Phone:										
Project Manager	Signature:									
Date SWMS supp	olied to Project Manag	er:								
		ANY HIG	H-RISK CON YUCI	N. JRK BEING	ARRIED OUT					
involves a risk of	a person falling more than	2 meters.		is carried out on or	near pressurised gas main	s or piping.				
is carried out on a	a telecommunication tower.			☐ is carried out on or near chemical, fuel or refrigerant lines.						
involves demolition	on of an element of a struct	ure that is load-be		☐ is carried out on or near energised electrical installations or services.						
involves demolition	on of an element related to	the physical integrit of a s	17 e.	is carried out in an area that may have a contaminated or flammable atmosphere.						
involves, or is like	ely to involve, disturbing a	estos.		involves tilt-up or precast concrete.						
involves structura	al alteration or repair that re	mporal upp to	prevent collapse.	is carried out on, in or adjacent to a road, railway, shipping lane or other traffic corridor.						
is carried out in o	r 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/n	ear a shaft or trench deepe	er than 1.5m or tunnel involv	ving use of explosives.	is carried out in areas with artificial extremes of temperature.						
is carried out in o	r near water or other liquid	that involves a risk of drow	ning.	involves diving wo	k.					
		ANY	HIGH-RISK MACHINE	RY OR EQUIPMENT	NEARBY					
Forklift	Crane/s	☐ Hoist/s	Excavator	Backhoe/Loader	Boom Lift	EWP	Genie Lift			
Trencher	Drilling Rig	Trucks	Formwork	Bobcat	Flammable Gas	Fuel	Dozer			
High Voltage	Mulcher	Tilt-up Panels	Roller	Scissor Lift	Tractor	Other -				







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1. Preparation	Asbestos dust inhalation, Electric sho	3Н	 Develop a comprehensive Asbestos Removal Control Plan (ARCP) outlining the procedures, methods, and resources required for safe removing asbestos-containing materials from the worksite. Conduct thorough risk assessments to idence as explained of the procedures, and define work zones to usure efforce control measures are in place. Only engage personnel who have undergone subsilised trainely in asbestos removal, and are certified to usele and dispose on bester worktaining materials safely. Utilise appropriate person proteine equipment (PPE), including respiratory masks with HavA filters, dib sable averalls works, and shoe covers, which must be worn by an inthorised assonel were equipment (PPE), including respiratory masks with HavA filters, dib sable averalls gaves, and shoe covers, which must be worn by an inthorised assonel were equipment and the covers. Any material is a safely. Clear Amarca are work zone through signage, barrier tapes, and warning notices rejucting a set to only authorised and trained personnel involved in the asbestor removal proces. Establit decempination points at designated entry and exit points of the work zone query with a subsetos work or thoroughly decontaminated disposable PPE, and hands/face, and change into clean clothes. Insure that all tools and equipment used in asbestos removal are either designed existly for asbestos work or thoroughly decontaminated after use, to reduce the risk of electric shock and any additional exposure. Implement wet removal techniques, such as spraying water or using specialised foam agents, to suppress asbestos levels within the work zone during material removal using calibrated air monitoring devices, adjusting control measures accordingly if levels exceed the allowable exposure limit. Perform regular visual inspections for any signs of damaged or deteriorated asbestos-containing materials, ensuring prompt remediation or disposal actions are taken to minimise further risk	2M	
2. Site Inspection	Slips, trips & falls, Exposure to asbestos fibres	ЗН		1L	



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			- Conduct a thorough site inspection before commencing work, ensuring to identify and assess all potential hazards, such as uneven surfaces or obstacles that could lead to slips, trips, and falls.		
			- Provide appropriate Personal Protective Equineent (PPE) for workers, including non-slip footwear, to minimise the risk of slid, crips, and falls while navigating the site, and to prevent exposure to asbestos fines.		
			- Implement a strict prohibition on workers eath countries, or smoking in the designated asbestos removal area, reducing the chance of incluting or inhaling harmful asbestos fibres.		
			- Clearly mark the definitied we zone with warning signs and barriers, informing workers and visit of the agoin, sbestos rem val, and restricting access to authorised programmed only.		
			- Ensure adequate ventile on during the conoval process to control the concentration of the bern's fibres in the air and to minimise worker exposure.		
			- Empty 1, is clean, methods or a suitable dust suppression agent to keep asbest in methods or o, thus reducing the release of airborne asbestos fibres during the renewal process.		
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			- povide proper training to workers on how to identify and manage asbestos- containing materials, as well as best practices for handling these materials to prevent accidental exposure.		
	G		- Develop and implement a detailed procedure for responding to any incidents where workers may have been exposed to asbestos fibres, including immediate decontamination processes and follow-up medical checks.		
			- Conduct regular audits and reviews of the site's control measures, procedures, and worker adherence to these guidelines, to ensure continuous improvement of health and safety practices during the asbestos removal process.		
			 Restrict access: Implement a secured perimeter around the work area, allowing only authorised personnel with appropriate PPE to enter the asbestos removal zone. This can be done using barrier tapes, cones, or temporary fencing. 		
3. Isolation of Work Area	Unauthorised access, Contamination of surrounding areas	ЗH	- Signage: Clearly display signs around the isolation area indicating the presence of asbestos and warning unauthorised persons not to enter. Also, include contact details for the responsible person should anyone have any concerns.	2M	
			- Negative air pressure units: Utilise negative air pressure units to help prevent the spread of airborne asbestos fibers beyond the isolated work area. This will ensure that any air movement is directed into containment filtration systems.		
			- Covers and encapsulation: Ensure all surfaces outside the isolation area are covered with protective sheeting or plastic where possible, to further reduce the risk		



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			 of contamination. Surfaces inside the work area should also be encapsulated to minimise the release of asbestos fibers. Decontamination facilities: Establish a decontamination area adjacent to the work zone for workers to properly clean themselves or where equipment before leaving the site. This includes the provision of short wacilities and changing areas where necessary. Air monitoring: Conduct regular air quality test sector minimum. The will help ensure that control measures continue to be effective in containing spread of asbestos fibers. Dust suppressing USE ware mixing or dampering methods to keep dust levels 		
			 low during the namoval process. Additionally, and using high-pressure cleaning methods or nucleanical curving tools to anotat generate excessive amounts of dust. Sed on torage, including a subsetory waste generated is stored in sealed contains, which an clearly labelled and locked away from unauthorised personnel. These one pers should then be transported to an approved waste disposal facility. Toolbor talke Provide gular toolbox talks to everyone involved in the removal roject, supplies importance of maintaining the integrity of the isolated work and to prove the uncontrolled exposure and contamination. Regular spections: Have a designated site supervisor or safety officer conduct sular inspections of the work area, enforcing compliance with established control manuaries and taking actions to address any potential risks that may arise during the asbestos removal process. 		
4. PPE Selection & Use	Incorrect wear or disposal, Insufficient protection for workers	ЗН		1L	



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5. Asbestos Removal Tools	Improper tool use, Electric shock, Injury from sharp edges	3H		2M	



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6. Wetting Asbestos Materials	Slip hazards, Electrical hazards	2М		1L	
7. Removal Process	Asbestos fiber disturbance, Musculoskeletal injuries	ЗН		1L	

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8. Decontamination	Incomplete or ineficitive decontamination, Cross-contaminati	ЗH		2М	

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9. Loading Waste Containers	Overexertion, Spillage/lecters ACMs	2М		1L	



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10. Transportation of Waste	Vehicle incident, Spreading of debris during transit	2М		1L	



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11. Waste Disposal	Inappropriate or illegal disposal, Cross- contamination	2М		1L	

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12. Asbestos Clearance Verification	Remaining traces of asbestos, Misreporting	2M		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.

	REFERENCES					
RELEVANT LEGISLATION AND CODES OF PRACTICE. DELETE THE LEGISLATIVE 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 and Safety Acta 24 Occupational Health and Safety Acta 24 Occupational Health and Safety Subary Sub					
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/legal-obligations/legislati-codes of Practice NSW: https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/legal-obligations/legislati-codes of Practice NSW: https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/resource-library/lis https://www.safework.nsw	Western Australia Work Health and Safety Act 2020 Work Health and Safety Regulations 2022 Legislation Western Australia: <u>https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/worksafe/legislation</u> Codes of Practice WA: <u>https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/worksafe/codes-practice</u>					
Northern Territory Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011 Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Regulation 2011 Legislation NT: https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/way place-seve-laws Codes of Practice NT: https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/f	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- codes-of-practice</u>					
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/legulation Codes of Practice for SA: https://www.safework.sa.gov.au/wor/_saces/codes-of-practice#COPs	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					
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/cats-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 					
Details of permits, licenses or access required by regulatory bodies (add or delete as required): - Permits from local council - Authorisation to commence 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 					

- Any required documents.



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	Position	Signature	Date	Time	Supervisor
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			Date:		

SAF WC A STHUD STATEMENT MONITORING AND REVIEW

The SWMS must be reviewed regularly to revised if necessary) if relevant control measure are subcontract of the SWMS and their health and safety representatives who reworkplace.

ke sure it remains effective and must be reviewed (and acception of the process should be carried out in s any subcontract s) who may be affected by the operation esentatives who recented that work group at the

When the SWMS has been revised the PCBU must ensure that all persons involved with the work are 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 result of the review are advised of the changes in a way that will enable them to implement their duties consistently 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	TO BE DONE	COMMENTS
The company details have been entered, including the project name and address.			
Names and signatures of all relevant personnel consulted during the development of the SWMS.		P	
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.			
Foreseeable hazards are identified and documented for each step.			
Any hazards listed in any site risk assessments have been added to the SWh			
SWMS initial risk (IR) column as well as residual risk (RR) columns completed.			
Check control measures added to the SWMS are the most effectine sections.			
Responsible person is assigned and listed on the SWMS for the impement of continue measures.			
Permit requirements specified, such as Hot Work, Electrical Work, Vortat Heights etc.			
SWMS identifies plant and equipment to be up t.			
Details of inspection checks required for any equipment listed at noted on the SWMS.			
Describes any mandatory qualifications, experience raining skills required to perform the work.			
Applicable personal protective equipment is selected on the SWMS.			
Lists any required permits or licenses.			
Reflects and documents any legislative references and/or Australian Standards.			
Identifies any hazardous substances used with specific control measures in line with any SDS.			
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