

Dangerous Goods Transpo	rtation SAFE WORK MET	HOD STATEMENT (SWMS)	
TASK OR A	ACTIVITY: Dangerous Goods Tra	nsportation	
Business Name:		ABN:	SWMS#
Business Address:			
Contact Person:	Phone:	E ail:	
THIS SAFE WORK METHOD	STATEMENT IS APPROV D BY	THE PC. OF THE ROJECT	
Under the Work Health and Safety Regulation (WHS Regulation), a person conductor the proposed work starts.	cting a business or und thing (Pu V) is	required to element had a safe work method	statement (SWMS) is prepared before
Full Name:			
Signature:		Title:	Date:
Details of the person(s) responsible for ensuring implementation, monitoring	compliant e of the SWIL as well as re	eviews and modifications of the SWMS.	
Full Name:		Title:	Phone:
ALL PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING IN ANY ACTIVITY ON THIS VMS HAVE THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATED	NA. 2 OF ALL RELEVANT PERSONN EVELOPMENT AND APPROVAL OF	IEL WHO HAVE BEEN CONSULTED AND (THIS SWMS	COMMUNICATED TO IN THE
Safety meetings or toolbox talks will be sched ed in accorde with regislative requirements to first identify any site hazards, to continuing the those hazards and then to further take steps to either eliminate or conclude.			
If an incident or a near miss occurs, all work must stead dately. 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-RISK CONSTRUCTOR	ON WC & BEIN C & RIED 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-hearing	☐ is carried out on or near energised electrical installations or services
☐ involves demolition of an element related to the physical interrity structure	☐ is carried out in an area that may have a contaminated or flammable atmosphere
☐ involves, or is likely to involve, disturbing as	☐ involves tilt-up or precast concrete
involves structural alteration or repair the requires to rary so port 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 an or 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	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 Remoy e 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.		Isolation Isolate People from the hazard
RARE	1 LOW	1 LOW	2 MODERATE	3 HIGH	3 HIGH	1L LOW	nitor and records		Engineering Isolate the hazard.
is the second m	archy of Controls: nost effective methologing the work is	od of controlling a	a hazard. Engine	ering by isolat	ion is the in nost e	e tive, while	ard. Substitution e Administrative least effective		Administrative Change the work. PPE

						TIVE EQUIPM					
		Select the app	ropriate PPL	abo. suital	or the equip	oment used or	the job task	being perfori	med (if applica	able).	
FOOT PROTECTION	HAND PROTECTION	HEAD PROTECTION	TEARING STION	P _CTION	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
			- Conduct comprehensive training session or all employees on the correct handling techniques and safety protocols for transporting dangerous goods.	
			- Develop and distribute detailed manuals at the consistency and safety.	
			- Implement a mandatory certa ation program that a quire call personnel involved in the transportation of dangerous goods to applete a cific training relation their roles.	
			- Organise regressive cours to keep at taff up to date with the latest safety regulations and handling territories.	
			- Ensem that a guiper clused in the andling and transportation of dangerous goods is maintained to high collards a guilarly inspected for safety compliance.	
1. Preparation	Incorrect handling, Lack of training	3H	- Estate she par concunication protocols to be followed during the transportation process, ensuring quick response times in calcol of an emergency.	2M
			Provide componensive personal protective equipment (PPE) and enforce its use at all times when he lying angel as goods.	
		'	Design a qualified safety officer to oversee the handling processes and ensure that all practices upply with workplace health and safety laws.	
			- Unise hazard signs and labels clearly on packaging to ensure everyone is aware of the contents' nature and the risks associated with handling them.	
			- Incorporate emergency response drills into routine training to ensure employees are prepared to handle accidents effectively and safely.	
			- Implement a feedback loop where employees can report potential hazards or suggest improvements to current handling and training practices.	
			- Utilise digital weighing tools to monitor the weight of cargo to prevent overloading. Ensure all operators are trained in their usage.	
			- Conduct pre-loading checks to ensure that all loading equipment is functioning properly and is suitable for the types of goods being loaded.	
2. Loading	Overloading, Slippery surfaces	3H	- Apply anti-slip mats or coatings at loading zones to enhance grip during operations.	1L
Ū	J ,		- Implement a buddy system where employees work in pairs to help stabilise each other on slippery surfaces.	
			- Schedule regular maintenance of loading areas to repair any uneven surfaces or damage that could contribute to slip hazards.	
			- Provide proper footwear with enhanced traction for all employees involved in the loading process.	



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			- Clearly mark slippery areas with warning signage and visual cues to keep workers informed of potential hazards.	
			- Train staff on proper manual handling technique to avoid slips and falls, particularly while handling heavy or awkward loads.	
			- Use mechanical aids such as forklifts, part jacks, and and trucks to minimise physical handling of cargo, reducing the chance of overloading hand	
			- Establish strict procedural guidelines that require checking the weather forecast before loading operations and adapting procedures according. 2.g., delining loading during rainstorm).	
			- Implement regular training sections on new safe. Locols and refresher courses on current procedures to main and the sale standards.	
			- Organise readic safety dits are inspectors to identify and rectify potential risks associated with overloading a Tworking slippery	
			- Prov. example: Sive training for staff on the latest regulatory requirements and documentation proced res	
			- Implerent a puble-cock system where at least two qualified personnel review each document before	
			- Utime a pmated software systems that are updated with the latest compliance codes to help in reparing and checking documents.	
			- intain regular training sessions and updates for all employees regarding changes in legislation or documentation processes.	
			- Develop and distribute clear, detailed written guidelines and checklists for preparing and handling transportation documents.	
			- Establish strict penalties for non-compliance with documentation procedures to enforce adherence.	
3. Documentation	Inaccurate paperwork, Non-compliance with regulations	2M	- Ensure all documents are kept up to date and reflect the current contents of shipments accurately.	1L
			- Conduct routine audits of documentation practices and provide feedback and additional training where necessary.	
			- Employ dedicated compliance officers who regularly cross-check documentation against current legal standards.	
			- Facilitate regular collaboration meetings between logistics, legal, and safety teams to ensure alignment and understanding across departments.	
			- Store all transportation documents securely but accessibly, enabling quick reviews and verifications when needed.	
			- Implement electronic tracking of document revisions to maintain historical data integrity and accountability.	
			- Offer continuous support and resources such as consultation sessions or workshops focusing on best practices for documentation in dangerous goods transportation.	



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4. Vehicle Inspection	Mechanical failure, Tyre defects	3H		2M
5. Journey Planning	Route hazards, Weather conditions	2M		1L



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6. Packaging	Inadequate containment, Label en es	ЗН		2M



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7. Labelling	Mislabeling, Unreadable labels	2M] 1L
8. Handling Equipment	Equipment malfunction, Improper use	3Н		2M



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9. PPE Usage	Inadequate PPE, Impro	ЗН		1 1L



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10. Loading Dock Safety	Falls, Collisions	-SH		2M
11. Transport Mode Selection	Inappropriate vehicle type, Vehicle overcapacity	3H		1L



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12. Emergency Response Planning	Lack of emergency equipment, Untrained staff	3H		2 M



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13. Communication	Miscommunication, Signal failure	2M		1 1L



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14. Unloading	Manual handling injuries, Equipment faults	3Н		2M
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15. Waste Disposal	Environmental contamination, Incorrect disposal methods	ЗН		2M
16. Post-transport Review	Missed incidents, Non-reporting of issues	2M		1L



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17. Maintenance Checks	Overlooked damages, Delayed repairs	3Н		2M



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18. Staff Training	Insufficient training, Unaware or updates	3H		1L



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19. Compliance Audits	Non-compliance fines, Regulatory breaches	ЗН		2M
20. Reporting	Incomplete reports, Data loss	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.

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCES

RELEVANT LEGISLATION AND CODES OF PRACTICE. DELETE THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE. N ANY STATEMENT 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/legis

Codes of Practice NSW: https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/resource-library.

Northern Territory

Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 201

Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Regulations 26

Legislation NT: https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/prkplate fety-lay

Codes of Practice NT: https://worksafe.nt.gov.av and-reso pes des ractice

South Australia

Work Health and Safety Act 2012 (SA)

Work Health and Safety Regulations 2012 (S

Legislation for SA: https://www.safework.sa.gov.au/resources_gislation

Codes of Practice for SA: https://www.safework.sa.gov.au/w/wplaces/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

Ocupational Health Safety A 2004

Oct ational Health an Safe* regulations 2017

- Legis ion VIC: https://www.orksafe.vic.gov.au/occupational-health-and-safety-act-and-
- des of actice VI actips://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 'THIS 'S' ITEM ON MONITORING AND REVIEW

The SWMS must be reviewed regularly to make sure it remain effect, and must be reviewed (and revised if necessary) if relevant control measures are revised. The view as should be carried out in consultation with workers (including contractors as unputractors of the SWMS and their health and safety registeratives who represented that work group at the workplace.

When the SWMS has been revised the PCBD mest ensure the advised that a revision has been made and how they can accept 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 the theoretical 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:

- Spot Checks.
- 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
TIEMS WHICH MOST BE INCLUDED IN THE SWIMS	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.		
Any hazards listed in any site risk assessments have been added to the SV 5.		
SWMS initial risk (IR) column as well as residual risk (RR) column ampleted.		
Check control measures added to the SWMS are the most effective sections.		
Responsible person is assigned and listed on the splenetation of control measures.		
Permit or licenses requirements specified, so in as Hot Work, Electrical Work, Work at Heights etc.		
SWMS identifies plant and equipment to be	\boxtimes	
Details of inspection checks required for any equipment lister are 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 RE\	/IEWED
SIGNATURE	DATE COM	PLETED