

Nailing Tools (Gas Powered) | SAFE WORK METHOD STATEMENT (SWMS)

TASK OR ACTIVITY: Nailing Tools (Gas Powered)

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| Business Name: [Company Name] | ABN: [ABN] | SWMS# |
| Business Address: [Company Address] | | |
| Contact Person: | Phone: [Phone] | Email: |

THIS SAFE WORK METHOD STATEMENT IS APPROVED BY THE PROJECT MANAGER OF THE PROJECT

Under the Work Health and Safety Regulation (WHS Regulation), a person conducting a business or undertaking (PCBU) is required to ensure that a safe work method statement (SWMS) is prepared before the proposed work starts.

Full Name:

Signature: _____ Title: _____ Date: _____

Details of the person(s) responsible for ensuring implementation, monitoring and compliance of the SWMS, as well as reviews and modifications of the SWMS.

Full Name: _____ Title: _____ Phone: _____

ALL PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING IN ANY ACTIVITY ON THIS SWMS MUST HAVE THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATED | **NAME AND DATED SIGNATURE OF ALL RELEVANT PERSONNEL WHO HAVE BEEN CONSULTED AND COMMUNICATED TO IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND APPROVAL OF THIS SWMS**

| | NAME | SIGNATURE | DATE |
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| Safety meetings or toolbox talks will be scheduled in accordance with legislative requirements to first identify any site hazards, to conduct and communicate those hazards and then to further take steps to either eliminate or control each hazard. | | | |
| If an incident or a near miss occurs, all work must stop immediately. 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

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| Client: | SCOPE OF WORKS Provide a detailed description of the specific work being carried out (otherwise known as scope of works). |
| Project Name: | |
| Project Address: | |
| Project Manager: | |
| Contact Phone: | |
| Project Manager Signature: | |
| Date SWMS supplied to Project Manager: | |

ANY HIGH-RISK CONSTRUCTION WORK BEING CARRIED OUT

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| <input type="checkbox"/> involves a risk of a person falling more than 2 meters. | <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out on or near pressurised gas mains or piping. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out on a telecommunication tower. | <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out on or near chemical, fuel or refrigerant lines. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> involves demolition of an element of a structure that is load-bearing. | <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out on or near energised electrical installations or services. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> involves demolition of an element related to the physical integrity of a structure. | <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out in an area that may have a contaminated or flammable atmosphere. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> involves, or is likely to involve, disturbing asbestos. | <input type="checkbox"/> involves tilt-up or precast concrete. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> involves structural alteration or repair that requires temporary supports to prevent collapse. | <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out on, in or adjacent to a road, railway, shipping lane or other traffic corridor. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out in or near a confined space. | <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out in an area of a workplace where there is any movement of powered mobile plant. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out in/near a shaft or trench deeper than 1.5m or tunnel involving use of explosives. | <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out in areas with artificial extremes of temperature. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out in or near water or other liquid that involves a risk of drowning. | <input type="checkbox"/> involves diving work. |

ANY HIGH-RISK MACHINERY OR EQUIPMENT NEARBY

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Forklift | <input type="checkbox"/> Crane/s | <input type="checkbox"/> Hoist/s | <input type="checkbox"/> Excavator | <input type="checkbox"/> Backhoe/Loader | <input type="checkbox"/> Boom Lift | <input type="checkbox"/> EWP | <input type="checkbox"/> Genie Lift |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trencher | <input type="checkbox"/> Drilling Rig | <input type="checkbox"/> Trucks | <input type="checkbox"/> Formwork | <input type="checkbox"/> Bobcat | <input type="checkbox"/> Flammable Gas | <input type="checkbox"/> Fuel | <input type="checkbox"/> Dozer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High Voltage | <input type="checkbox"/> Mulcher | <input type="checkbox"/> Tilt-up Panels | <input type="checkbox"/> Roller | <input type="checkbox"/> Scissor Lift | <input type="checkbox"/> Tractor | <input type="checkbox"/> Other - | |

| RISK MATRIX | | | | | | | | | | |
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| LIKELIHOOD | INSIGNIFICANT | MINOR | MODERATE | MAJOR | CATASTROPHIC | SCORE | ACTION | HEIRARCHY OF CONTROLS | | |
| ALMOST CERTAIN | 3 HIGH | 3 HIGH | 4 ACUTE | 4 ACUTE | 4 ACUTE | | | Elimination Remove the hazard. | | |
| LIKELY | 2 MODERATE | 3 HIGH | 3 HIGH | 4 ACUTE | 4 ACUTE | 4A ACUTE | DO NOT PROCEED | Substitution Replace the hazard. | | |
| POSSIBLE | 1 LOW | 2 MODERATE | 3 HIGH | 4 ACUTE | 4 ACUTE | 3H HIGH | Review before work starts. | Isolation Isolate People from the hazard | | |
| UNLIKELY | 1 LOW | 1 LOW | 2 MODERATE | 3 HIGH | 4 ACUTE | 2M MODERATE | Ensure control measures in place. | Engineering Isolate the hazard. | | |
| RARE | 1 LOW | 1 LOW | 2 MODERATE | 3 HIGH | 3 HIGH | 1L LOW | Monitor and keep records | Administrative Change the work. | | |
| | | | | | | | | PPE | | |

Notes on Hierarchy of Controls: Elimination methods are the most effective and preferred when controlling a hazard. Substitution is the second most effective method of controlling a hazard. Engineering by isolation is the third most effective, while Administrative Controls by changing the work is the fourth most effective method. PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) is the least effective method.

| PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE) | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| FOOT PROTECTION | HAND PROTECTION | HEAD PROTECTION | HEARING PROTECTION | EYE/FACE PROTECTION | RESPIRATORY PROTECTION | FACE PROTECTION | HIGH-VIS CLOTHING | PROTECTIVE CLOTHING | FALL PROTECTION | SUN PROTECTION | HAIR/JEWELLERY SECURED |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Select the appropriate PPE above suitable for the equipment used or the job task being performed (if applicable).

Note: A SWMS must be reviewed regularly to make sure it remains effective. A SWMS must be reviewed (and revised if necessary) if relevant control measures are revised. The review process should be carried out in consultation with workers (including contractors and subcontractors) who may be affected by the operation of the SWMS and their health and safety representatives who represented that work group at the workplace.

When a SWMS has been revised, the person conducting a business or undertaking must ensure all:

- persons involved in the work are advised that a revision has been made and how they can access the revised SWMS;
- 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; and,
- workers that will be involved in the work are provided with the relevant information and instruction that will assist them to understand and implement the revised SWMS.

| JOB STEP | POTENTIAL HAZARDS | IR | CONTROL MEASURES | RR | RESPONSIBLE PERSON |
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| SPECIFIC WORK STEPS | HAZARDS THAT MAY ARISE | INITIAL RISK | SPECIFIC MEASURES TO BE PUT IN PLACE TO ELIMINATE OR CONTROL THE RISKS | RESIDUAL RISK | NAME OF PERSON |
| 1. Preparation | Incorrect tool selection, Inappropriate work area | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training and Induction: Ensure all workers who will be using gas-powered nailing tools have received adequate training, including correct tool selection, application, and safe operation of the devices. This should also include awareness on potential hazards associated with their use. - Pre-Use Inspection: Perform a thorough inspection of gas-powered nailing tools before starting any work. This should include checking for damaged or worn parts, ensuring proper assembly and alignment, and verifying that the fuel cartridge is correctly installed and functioning. - Approved Tools: Only use approved, compliant tools incorporating internal safety mechanisms designed to minimise risks associated with incorrect selections or accidental discharges. The device must meet Australian Standards and manufacturer recommendations. - Work Area Assessment: Evaluate the work area prior to commencing operations, ensuring adequate lighting, ventilation, and no tripping hazards or obstructions are present. Remove unnecessary materials and items from the designated space to minimise the risk of accidents. - Tool Selection: Choose the appropriate nail gun based on the material being fastened and the specific application. Familiarise yourself with the tool's specifications, recommended nails, and limitations to avoid using the wrong equipment. - Protective Gear: Equip workers with the necessary personal protective equipment (PPE) such as safety glasses, gloves, hearing protection, and steel-toed boots to mitigate injuries in case of an incident. Ensure PPE is in good condition and fits properly. - Gas Cartridge Handling: Store and handle fuel cartridges according to manufacturer instructions, keeping them away from direct sunlight, heat sources, or sparks. Dispose of used or damaged containers following local regulations and guidelines. - Clear Work Surfaces: Maintain clean and organised work surfaces to reduce the risk of unexpected movement or forceful contact with the nailing tool during operations. Be mindful of the placement of hands and other body parts while operating the tool. - Safe Tool Storage: When not in use, properly store gas-powered nailing tools to prevent unauthorised use, accidental discharge, or damage to the tool. This may include placing the device in a protective case or locking it away in a designated storage area. - Communication and Reporting: Establish clear channels of communication among team members by conducting regular safety briefings and encouraging open discussions on hazard identification and control measures. Promptly report any incidents, near misses, or issues with equipment to supervisors for further investigation and corrective action. | 2M | |

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| 2. Equipment Inspection | Malfunctioning equipment, Damaged gas canisters | 4A | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Regularly inspect and maintain tools and equipment, ensuring they are in good working condition before use. - Check for any signs of wear, damage, or malfunction, paying particular attention to gas canisters and their connections. - Ensure all operators have been appropriately trained in the safe use and handling of gas-powered nailing tools and associated equipment. - Implement a pre-use inspection checklist to be completed by the operator prior to commencing work. - Immediately remove any damaged or faulty equipment from the worksite and report the issue through appropriate channels. - Store gas canisters safely and securely away from sources of heat, flame, and impact to prevent potential hazards. - Familiarise yourself with the manufacturer's instructions and safety guidelines for all equipment being used, including proper usage, storage, and disposal. - Use only approved gas canisters for your specific tool to avoid compatibility issues and potential accidents. - Ensure that adequate ventilation is in place when using gas-powered nailing tools, as this type of equipment may produce harmful fumes. - Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) such as gloves, safety goggles, and ear protection while operating the nailing tools. - Assign a designated team member to regularly monitor tool operation and performance, identifying potential hazards early on. - Establish a scheduled maintenance programme for all gas-powered nailing tools and ensure it is being consistently followed. - Regularly communicate safety guidelines and best practices within the team, reinforcing the importance of adhering to established protocols. - Encourage employees to report any concerns or issues related to the gas-powered nailing tools or their use, creating a proactive culture of safety. | 2M | |
| 3. Loading Gas Canister | Gas leakage, Accidental triggering of tool | 3H | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensure workers are trained and competent in the proper handling and loading of gas canisters to minimise potential risks associated with gas leakage or accidental triggering of tools. - Follow the manufacturer's guidelines for the specific nailing tool being used, including recommendations for gas canister compatibility, storage, and handling. - Conduct a thorough inspection of the gas canister for any signs of damage or defects prior to use. Do not use a damaged or leaking canister. - Ensure that the work area is well-ventilated to mitigate the risk of exposure to harmful gases due to leakage from the canister. | 1L | |

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| | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Workers should use appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), including safety glasses and gloves during the process of loading gas canisters. - Always load the gas canister with the nailing tool connected from its power source to prevent accidental triggering of the tool. - Install gas canisters using slow, controlled movements to reduce the potential for accidental discharge of gas or damage to the canister seal. - Double-check gas canister connections to ensure they are properly secured before re-attaching the power source to the nailing tool. - Establish an exclusion zone around the worker loading the canister to maintain a safe distance between the worker and others on-site during the process. - Communicate with other team members working in the vicinity, making them aware of the potential hazards associated with loading the gas canister to avoid surprise-triggered accidents. - Implement a workplace procedure for regularly checking and maintaining gas-powered nailing tools to ensure their safe operation and optimal performance. - Store unused gas canisters upright in a cool, dry, well-ventilated location away from direct sunlight and heat sources. - Emergency response plans should be established to address incidents involving gas leaks or accidental triggering of tools, ensuring that all team members are aware of the proper course of action in such situations. | | |
| 4. Tool Positioning | Unstable footing, Misaligned nail placement | 2M | [REDACTED] | 1L | |

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| 5. Nail Firing | Flying debris, Unintended nail discharge | 3H | [REDACTED] | 1L | |

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| 6. Work Area Maintenance | Cluttered work area, Slipping hazards | 2M | [REDACTED] | 1L | |
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| 7. Equipment Cleaning | Exposure to chemicals, Sharp edges | 2M | [REDACTED] | 1L | |
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| 8. Gas Canister Disposal | Gas leakage, Explosion hazard | 3H | [Redacted] | 1L | |

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| 9. Tool Storage | Improper storage, Unauthorised access | 2M | | 1L | |

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| 10. Emergency Response | Inadequate first aid, Delay in response | | [REDACTED] | 1L | |

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| 11. Breaks & Rest Periods | Fatigue, Tripping over tools | 2M | [REDACTED] | 1L | |
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| 12. Finishing Work | Incomplete safety check, Leftover materials | 2M | [REDACTED] | 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 IF ANY STATE THAT 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>

Victoria

Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004
 Occupational Health and Safety Regulations 2017
 Legislation VIC: <https://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/occupational-health-and-safety-act-and-regulations>
 Codes of Practice VIC: <https://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/compliance-codes-and-codes-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/legislation>
 Codes of Practice NSW: <https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/resource-library/list-of-codes-of-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>

Northern Territory

Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011
 Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Regulations 2011
 Legislation NT: <https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/workplaces-and-laws>
 Codes of Practice NT: <https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-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>

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/legislation>
 Codes of Practice for SA: <https://www.safework.sa.gov.au/workplaces/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
- 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

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.

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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SAFE WORK METHOD STATEMENT MONITORING AND REVIEW

The SWMS must be reviewed regularly to make sure it remains effective and must be reviewed (and revised if necessary) if relevant control measures are needed. The review process should be carried out in consultation with workers (including contractors and subcontractors) who may be affected by the operation 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 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.

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| SAFE WORK METHOD STATEMENT REVIEW CHECKLIST | | | |
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| 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. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Names and signatures of all relevant personnel consulted during the development of the SWMS. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Name, signature, position and date signed of the person approving the SWMS. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Specific personnel and qualifications, experience is noted in the SWMS. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Provides a step-by-step process of tasks required to carry out the activity or task. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Adequate risk assessment of any identified hazards has been completed. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Foreseeable hazards are identified and documented for each step. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Any hazards listed in any site risk assessments have been added to the SWMS. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| SWMS initial risk (IR) column as well as residual risk (RR) columns completed. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Check control measures added to the SWMS are the most effective solutions. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Responsible person is assigned and listed on the SWMS for the implementation of control measures. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Permit requirements specified, such as Hot Work, Electrical Work, Work at Heights etc. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| SWMS identifies plant and equipment to be used. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Details of inspection checks required for any equipment listed are noted on the SWMS. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Describes any mandatory qualifications, experience, training, skills required to perform the work. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Applicable personal protective equipment is selected on the SWMS. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Lists any required permits or licenses. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Reflects and documents any legislative references and/or Australian Standards. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Identifies any hazardous substances used with specific control measures in line with any SDS. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
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